

higher that qualifies the district to begin the transition 3112
period shall not count as one of the two consecutive school 3113
years. During the transition period, the conditions described in 3114
divisions (F) to (L) of this section for the school year prior 3115
to the school year in which the transition period begins shall 3116
continue to apply and the chief executive officer shall work 3117
closely with the district board and district superintendent to 3118
increase their ability to resume control of the district and 3119
sustain the district's academic improvement over time. Upon 3120
completion of the transition period, the chief executive officer 3121
shall relinquish all operational, managerial, and instructional 3122
control of the district to the district board and district 3123
superintendent and the academic distress commission shall cease 3124
to exist. 3125

(2) If the district receives an overall grade of "F" under 3126
division (C) (3) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code 3127
at any time during the transition period, the transition period 3128
shall end and the district shall be fully subject to this 3129
section again. The district shall resume being fully subject to 3130
this section at the point it began its transition out of being 3131
subject to this section and the division in divisions (H) to (L) 3132
of this section that would have applied to the district had the 3133
district not qualified to begin its transition under division 3134
(N) (1) of this section shall apply to the district. 3135

(O) If at any time there are no longer any schools 3136
operated by the district due to reconstitution or other closure 3137
of the district's schools under this section, the academic 3138
distress commission shall cease to exist and the chief executive 3139
officer shall cease to exercise any powers with respect to the 3140
district. 3141

(P) Beginning ~~on the effective date of this section~~ 3142
October 15, 2015, each collective bargaining agreement entered 3143
into by a school district board of education under Chapter 4117. 3144
of the Revised Code shall incorporate the provisions of this 3145
section. 3146

(Q) The chief executive officer, the members of the 3147
academic distress commission, the state superintendent, and any 3148
person authorized to act on behalf of or assist them shall not 3149
be personally liable or subject to any suit, judgment, or claim 3150
for damages resulting from the exercise of or failure to 3151
exercise the powers, duties, and functions granted to them in 3152
regard to their functioning under this section, but the chief 3153
executive officer, commission, state superintendent, and such 3154
other persons shall be subject to mandamus proceedings to compel 3155
performance of their duties under this section. 3156

(R) The state superintendent shall not exempt any district 3157
from this section by approving an application for an innovative 3158
education pilot program submitted by the district under section 3159
3302.07 of the Revised Code. 3160

Sec. 3302.12. (A) (1) Except as provided in divisions (C) 3161
and (D) of this section, this section applies to a school 3162
building that is ranked according to performance index score 3163
under section 3302.21 of the Revised Code in the lowest five per 3164
cent of public school buildings statewide for three consecutive 3165
years and that meets any combination of the following for three 3166
consecutive years: 3167

(a) The school building is declared to be under an 3168
academic watch or in a state of academic emergency under section 3169
3302.03 of the Revised Code as it existed prior to March 22, 3170
2013; 3171

(b) The school building that has received a grade of "F" 3172
for the value-added progress dimension under division (A) (1) (e), 3173
(B) (1) (e), or (C) (1) (e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, 3174
as it existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3175
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code; 3176

(c) The school building that has received an overall grade 3177
of "F" under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed 3178
prior to the effective date of this amendment, or section 3179
3302.032 of the Revised Code. 3180

(2) In the case of a building to which this section 3181
applies, the district board of education in control of that 3182
building shall do one of the following at the conclusion of the 3183
school year in which the building first becomes subject to this 3184
section: 3185

(a) Close the school and direct the district 3186
superintendent to reassign the students enrolled in the school 3187
to other school buildings that demonstrate higher academic 3188
achievement; 3189

(b) Contract with another school district or a nonprofit 3190
or for-profit entity with a demonstrated record of effectiveness 3191
to operate the school; 3192

(c) Replace the principal and all teaching staff of the 3193
school and, upon request from the new principal, exempt the 3194
school from all requested policies and regulations of the board 3195
regarding curriculum and instruction. The board also shall 3196
distribute funding to the school in an amount that is at least 3197
equal to the product of the per pupil amount of state and local 3198
revenues received by the district multiplied by the student 3199
population of the school. 3200

(d) Reopen the school as a conversion community school 3201
under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code. 3202

(B) If an action taken by the board under division (A) (2) 3203
of this section causes the district to no longer maintain all 3204
grades kindergarten through twelve, as required by section 3205
3311.29 of the Revised Code, the board shall enter into a 3206
contract with another school district pursuant to section 3207
3327.04 of the Revised Code for enrollment of students in the 3208
schools of that other district to the extent necessary to comply 3209
with the requirement of section 3311.29 of the Revised Code. 3210
Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised Code to the 3211
contrary, if the board enters into and maintains a contract 3212
under section 3327.04 of the Revised Code, the district shall 3213
not be considered to have failed to comply with the requirement 3214
of section 3311.29 of the Revised Code. If, however, the 3215
district board fails to or is unable to enter into or maintain 3216
such a contract, the state board of education shall take all 3217
necessary actions to dissolve the district as provided in 3218
division (A) of section 3311.29 of the Revised Code. 3219

(C) If a particular school is required to restructure 3220
under this section and a petition with respect to that same 3221
school has been filed and verified under divisions (B) and (C) 3222
of section 3302.042 of the Revised Code, the provisions of that 3223
section and the petition filed and verified under it shall 3224
prevail over the provisions of this section and the school shall 3225
be restructured under that section. However, if division (D) (1), 3226
(2), or (3) of section 3302.042 of the Revised Code also applies 3227
to the school, the school shall be subject to restructuring 3228
under this section and not section 3302.042 of the Revised Code. 3229

If the provisions of this section conflict in any way with 3230

the requirements of federal law, federal law shall prevail over 3231
the provisions of this section. 3232

(D) If a school is restructured under this section, 3233
section 3302.042 or 3302.10 of the Revised Code, or federal law, 3234
the school shall not be required to restructure again under 3235
state law for three consecutive years after the implementation 3236
of that prior restructuring. 3237

Sec. 3302.13. (A) This section applies to any school 3238
district or community school that meets both of the following 3239
criteria, as reported on the past two consecutive report cards 3240
issued for that district or school under section 3302.03 of the 3241
Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this 3242
amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code: 3243

(1) The district or school received a grade of "D" or "F" 3244
on the kindergarten through third-grade literacy progress 3245
measure under division (C) (3) (e) of section 3302.03 or 3302.032 3246
of the Revised Code. 3247

(2) Less than sixty per cent of the district's students 3248
who took the third grade English language arts assessment 3249
prescribed under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code for that 3250
school year attained at least a proficient score on that 3251
assessment. 3252

(B) ~~By December 31, 2016, and by the~~ thirty-first day of 3253
each December ~~thereafter~~, any school district or community 3254
school that meets the criteria set forth in division (A) of this 3255
section shall submit to the department of education a school or 3256
district reading achievement improvement plan, which shall 3257
include all requirements prescribed by the state board of 3258
education pursuant to division (C) of this section. 3259

(C) Not later than December 31, 2014, the state board shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code prescribing the content of and deadlines for the reading achievement improvement plans required under division (B) of this section. The rules shall prescribe that each plan include, at a minimum, an analysis of relevant student performance data, measurable student performance goals, strategies to meet specific student needs, a staffing and professional development plan, and instructional strategies for improving literacy.

(D) Any school district or community school to which this section applies shall no longer be required to submit an improvement plan pursuant to division (B) of this section when that district or school meets either of the following criteria, as reported on the most recent report card issued for that district or school under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code:

(1) The district or school received a grade of "C" or higher on the kindergarten through third-grade literacy progress measure under division (C) (3) (e) of section 3302.03 or 3302.032 of the Revised Code.

(2) Not less than sixty per cent of the district's students who took the third grade English language arts assessment prescribed under section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code for that school year attained at least a proficient score on that assessment.

(E) The department of education shall post in a prominent location on its web site all plans submitted pursuant to this section.

Sec. 3302.15. (A) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary 3289
in Chapter 3301. or 3302. of the Revised Code, the board of 3290
education of a school district, governing authority of a 3291
community school established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised 3292
Code, or governing body of a STEM school established under 3293
Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code may submit to the 3294
superintendent of public instruction, during the 2015-2016 3295
school year, a request for a waiver for up to five school years 3296
from administering the state achievement assessments required 3297
under sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code and 3298
related requirements specified under division (B) (2) of this 3299
section. A district or school that obtains a waiver under this 3300
section shall use the alternative assessment system, as proposed 3301
by the district or school and as approved by the state 3302
superintendent, in place of the assessments required under 3303
sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code. 3304

(B) (1) A request for a waiver under this section shall 3305
contain the following: 3306

(a) A timeline to develop and implement an alternative 3307
assessment system for the district or school; 3308

(b) An overview of the proposed innovative educational 3309
programs or strategies to be offered by the district or school; 3310

(c) An overview of the proposed alternative assessment 3311
system; 3312

(d) An overview of planning details that have been 3313
implemented or proposed and any documented support from 3314
educational networks, established educational consultants, state 3315
institutions of higher education as defined under section 3316
3345.011 of the Revised Code, and employers or workforce 3317

development partners; 3318

(e) An overview of the capacity to implement the 3319
alternative assessments, conduct the evaluation of teachers with 3320
alternative assessments, and the reporting of student 3321
achievement data with alternative assessments for the purpose of 3322
the report card ratings prescribed under section ~~3302.03-~~ 3323
3302.032 of the Revised Code, all of which shall include any 3324
prior success in implementing innovative educational programs or 3325
strategies, teaching practices, or assessment practices; 3326

(f) An acknowledgement by the district or school of 3327
federal funding that may be impacted by obtaining a waiver. 3328

(2) The request for a waiver shall indicate the extent to 3329
which exemptions from state or federal requirements regarding 3330
the administration of the assessments required under sections 3331
3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code are sought. Such 3332
items from which a district or school may be exempt are as 3333
follows: 3334

(a) The required administration of state assessments under 3335
sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code; 3336

(b) The evaluation of teachers and administrators under 3337
sections 3311.80, 3311.84, division (D) of 3319.02, and 3319.111 3338
of the Revised Code; 3339

(c) The reporting of student achievement data for the 3340
purpose of the report card ratings prescribed under section 3341
~~3302.03-~~3302.032 of the Revised Code. 3342

(C) Each request for a waiver shall include the signature 3343
of all of the following: 3344

(1) The superintendent of the school district or the 3345

equivalent for a community school or STEM school; 3346

(2) The president of the district board or the equivalent 3347
for a community school or STEM school; 3348

(3) The presiding officer of the labor organization 3349
representing the district's or school's teachers, if any; 3350

(4) If the district's or school's teachers are not 3351
represented by a labor organization, the principal and a 3352
majority of the administrators and teachers of the district or 3353
school. 3354

(D) Upon receipt of a request for a waiver, the state 3355
superintendent shall approve or deny the waiver or may request 3356
additional information from the district or school. The state 3357
superintendent shall not grant waivers to more than a total of 3358
ten districts, community schools, or STEM schools, based on 3359
requests for a waiver received during the 2015-2016 school year. 3360
A waiver granted to a district or school shall be contingent on 3361
an ongoing review and evaluation by the state superintendent of 3362
the program for which the waiver was granted. 3363

(E) (1) For the purpose of this section, the department of 3364
education shall seek a waiver from the testing requirements 3365
prescribed under the "No Child Left Behind Act of 2001," if 3366
necessary to implement this section. 3367

(2) The department shall create a mechanism for the 3368
comparison of the alternative assessments prescribed under 3369
division (B) of this section and the assessments required under 3370
sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of the Revised Code as it 3371
relates to the evaluation of teachers and student achievement 3372
data for the purpose of state report card ratings. 3373

(F) For purposes of this section, "innovative educational 3374

program or strategy" means a program or strategy using a new 3375
idea or method aimed at increasing student engagement and 3376
preparing students to be college or career ready. 3377

Sec. 3302.151. (A) Notwithstanding anything to the 3378
contrary in the Revised Code, a school district that qualifies 3379
under division (D) of this section shall be exempt from all of 3380
the following: 3381

(1) The teacher qualification requirements under the 3382
third-grade reading guarantee, as prescribed under divisions (B) 3383
(3) (c) and (H) of section 3313.608 of the Revised Code. This 3384
exemption does not relieve a teacher from holding a valid Ohio 3385
license in a subject area and grade level determined appropriate 3386
by the board of education of that district. 3387

(2) The mentoring component of the Ohio teacher residency 3388
program established under division (A) (1) of section 3319.223 of 3389
the Revised Code, so long as the district utilizes a local 3390
approach to train and support new teachers; 3391

(3) Any provision of the Revised Code or rule or standard 3392
of the state board of education prescribing a minimum or maximum 3393
class size; 3394

(4) Any provision of the Revised Code or rule or standard 3395
of the state board requiring teachers to be licensed 3396
specifically in the grade level in which they are teaching, 3397
except unless otherwise prescribed by federal law. This 3398
exemption does not apply to special education teachers. Nor does 3399
this exemption relieve a teacher from holding a valid Ohio 3400
license in the subject area in which that teacher is teaching 3401
and at least some grade level determined appropriate by the 3402
district board. 3403

(B) (1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Revised Code, including sections 3319.30 and 3319.36 of the Revised Code, the superintendent of a school district that qualifies under division (D) of this section may employ an individual who is not licensed as required by sections 3319.22 to 3319.30 of the Revised Code, but who is otherwise qualified based on experience, to teach classes in the district, so long as the board of education of the school district approves the individual's employment and provides mentoring and professional development opportunities to that individual, as determined necessary by the board.

(2) As a condition of employment under this section, an individual shall be subject to a criminal records check as prescribed by section 3319.391 of the Revised Code. In the manner prescribed by the department of education, the individual shall submit the criminal records check to the department and shall register with the department during the period in which the individual is employed by the district. The department shall use the information submitted to enroll the individual in the retained applicant fingerprint database, established under section 109.5721 of the Revised Code, in the same manner as any teacher licensed under sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

(3) An individual employed pursuant to this division is subject to Chapter 3307. of the Revised Code.

If the department receives notification of the arrest or conviction of an individual employed under division (B) of this section, the department shall promptly notify the employing district and may take any action authorized under sections 3319.31 and 3319.311 of the Revised Code that it considers

appropriate. No district shall employ any individual under 3434
division (B) of this section if the district learns that the 3435
individual has plead guilty to, has been found guilty by a jury 3436
or court of, or has been convicted of any of the offenses listed 3437
in division (C) of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code. 3438

(C) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the 3439
Revised Code, noncompliance with any of the requirements listed 3440
in divisions (A) or (B) of this section shall not disqualify a 3441
school district that qualifies under division (D) of this 3442
section from receiving funds under Chapter 3317. of the Revised 3443
Code. 3444

(D) In order for a city, local, or exempted village school 3445
district to qualify for the exemptions described in this 3446
section, the school district shall meet all of the following 3447
benchmarks on the most recent report card issued for that 3448
district under section ~~3302.03~~3302.032 of the Revised Code: 3449

(1) The district received at least eighty-five per cent of 3450
the total possible points for the performance index score 3451
calculated under division (C) (1) (b) of that section; 3452

(2) The district received a grade of an "A" for 3453
performance indicators met under division (C) (1) (c) of that 3454
section; 3455

(3) The district has a four-year adjusted cohort 3456
graduation rate of at least ninety-three per cent and a five- 3457
year adjusted cohort graduation rate of at least ninety-five per 3458
cent, as calculated under division (C) (1) (d) of that section. 3459

(E) A school district that meets the requirements 3460
prescribed by division (D) of this section shall be qualified 3461
for the exemptions prescribed by this section for three school 3462

years, beginning with the school year in which the qualifying
report card is issued.

(F) As used in this section, "license" has the same
meaning as in section 3319.31 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 3302.21. (A) The department of education shall
develop a system to rank order all city, exempted village, and
local school districts, community schools established under
Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code except those community schools
to which section 3314.017 of the Revised Code applies, and STEM
schools established under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code
according to the following measures:

(1) Performance index score for each school district,
community school, and STEM school and for each separate building
of a district, community school, or STEM school. For districts,
schools, or buildings to which the performance index score does
not apply, the superintendent of public instruction may develop
another measure of student academic performance based on similar
data and performance measures if appropriate and use that
measure to include those buildings in the ranking so that
districts, schools, and buildings may be reliably compared to
each other.

(2) Student performance growth from year to year, using
the value-added progress dimension, if applicable, and other
measures of student performance growth designated by the
superintendent of public instruction for subjects and grades not
covered by the value-added progress dimension or the alternative
student academic progress measure if adopted under division (C)
(1) (e) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code;

(3) Current operating expenditure per equivalent pupils as

defined in section 3302.26 of the Revised Code; 3492

(4) Of total current operating expenditures, percentage 3493
spent for classroom instruction as determined under standards 3494
adopted by the state board under section 3302.20 of the Revised 3495
Code; 3496

(5) Performance of, and opportunities provided to, 3497
students identified as gifted using value-added progress 3498
dimensions, if applicable, and other relevant measures as 3499
designated by the superintendent of public instruction. 3500

The department shall rank each district, each community 3501
school except a community school to which section 3314.017 of 3502
the Revised Code applies, and each STEM school annually in 3503
accordance with the system developed under this section. 3504

~~(B) In addition to the reports required by sections-~~ 3505
~~3302.03 and 3302.031 of the Revised Code, not~~ Not later than the 3506
first day of September each year, the department shall issue a 3507
report for each city, exempted village, and local school 3508
district, each community school except a community school to 3509
which section 3314.017 of the Revised Code applies, and each 3510
STEM school indicating the district's or school's rank on each 3511
measure described in divisions (A) (1) to (4) of this section, 3512
including each separate building's rank among all public school 3513
buildings according to performance index score under division 3514
(A) (1) of this section. 3515

Sec. 3302.22. (A) The governor's effective and efficient 3516
schools recognition program is hereby created. Each year, the 3517
governor shall recognize, in a manner deemed appropriate by the 3518
governor, the top ten per cent of all public schools in this 3519
state, including city, exempted village, and local school 3520

districts, joint vocational school districts, community schools 3521
established under Chapter 3314., and STEM schools established 3522
under Chapter 3326. of the Revised Code. 3523

(B) The top ten per cent of schools shall be determined by 3524
the department of education according to standards established 3525
by the department, in consultation with the governor's office of 3526
21st century education. The standards for recognition for each 3527
type of school may vary depending upon the unique 3528
characteristics of that type of school. The standards shall 3529
include, but need not be limited to, both of the following, 3530
provided that sufficient data is available for each school: 3531

(1) Student performance, as determined by factors that may 3532
include, but not be limited to, performance indicators under 3533
section 3302.02 of the Revised Code, report cards issued under 3534
~~section sections~~ 3302.03 and 3302.032 of the Revised Code, 3535
performance index score rankings under section 3302.21 of the 3536
Revised Code, and any other statewide or national assessment or 3537
student performance recognition program the department selects; 3538

(2) Fiscal performance, which may include cost-effective 3539
measures taken by the school. 3540

(C) If applicable, the standards under divisions (B)(1) 3541
and (2) of this section may be applied at the school building or 3542
district level, depending upon the quality and availability of 3543
data. 3544

Sec. 3310.03. A student is an "eligible student" for 3545
purposes of the educational choice scholarship pilot program if 3546
the student's resident district is not a school district in 3547
which the pilot project scholarship program is operating under 3548
sections 3313.974 to 3313.979 of the Revised Code and the 3549

student satisfies one of the conditions in division (A), (B), 3550
(C), (D), or (E) of this section: 3551

(A) (1) The student is enrolled in a school building 3552
operated by the student's resident district that, on the report 3553
card issued under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it 3554
existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3555
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code published prior to the 3556
first day of July of the school year for which a scholarship is 3557
sought, did not receive a rating as described in division (H) of 3558
this section, and to which any or a combination of any of the 3559
following apply for two of the three most recent report cards 3560
published prior to the first day of July of the school year for 3561
which a scholarship is sought: 3562

(a) The building was declared to be in a state of academic 3563
emergency or academic watch under section 3302.03 of the Revised 3564
Code as that section existed prior to March 22, 2013. 3565

(b) The building received a grade of "D" or "F" for the 3566
performance index score under division (A) (1) (b) or (B) (1) (b) of 3567
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the 3568
effective date of this amendment, and for the value-added 3569
progress dimension under division (A) (1) (e) or (B) (1) (e) of that 3570
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the 2012-2013, 2013- 3571
2014, 2014-2015, or 2015-2016 school year; or if the building 3572
serves only grades ten through twelve, the building received a 3573
grade of "D" or "F" for the performance index score under 3574
division (A) (1) (b) or (B) (1) (b) of that section 3302.03 of the 3575
Revised Code and had a four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate 3576
of less than seventy-five per cent. 3577

(c) The building received an overall grade of "D" or "F" 3578
under division (C) (3) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 3579

it existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3580
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code or a grade of "F" for the 3581
value-added progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of 3582
either section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the 2016-2017 3583
school year or any school year thereafter. 3584

(2) The student will be enrolling in any of grades 3585
kindergarten through twelve in this state for the first time in 3586
the school year for which a scholarship is sought, will be at 3587
least five years of age by the first day of January of the 3588
school year for which a scholarship is sought, and otherwise 3589
would be assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised Code in 3590
the school year for which a scholarship is sought, to a school 3591
building described in division (A) (1) of this section. 3592

(3) The student is enrolled in a community school 3593
established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code but 3594
otherwise would be assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised 3595
Code to a building described in division (A) (1) of this section. 3596

(4) The student is enrolled in a school building operated 3597
by the student's resident district or in a community school 3598
established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code and 3599
otherwise would be assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised 3600
Code to a school building described in division (A) (1) of this 3601
section in the school year for which the scholarship is sought. 3602

(5) The student will be both enrolling in any of grades 3603
kindergarten through twelve in this state for the first time and 3604
at least five years of age by the first day of January of the 3605
school year for which a scholarship is sought, or is enrolled in 3606
a community school established under Chapter 3314. of the 3607
Revised Code, and all of the following apply to the student's 3608
resident district: 3609

(a) The district has in force an intradistrict open 3610
enrollment policy under which no student in the student's grade 3611
level is automatically assigned to a particular school building; 3612

(b) In the most recent rating published prior to the first 3613
day of July of the school year for which scholarship is sought, 3614
the district did not receive a rating described in division (H) 3615
of this section, and in at least two of the three most recent 3616
report cards published prior to the first day of July of that 3617
school year, any or a combination of the following apply to the 3618
district: 3619

(i) The district was declared to be in a state of academic 3620
emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code as it 3621
existed prior to March 22, 2013. 3622

(ii) The district received a grade of "D" or "F" for the 3623
performance index score under division (A) (1) (b) or (B) (1) (b) of 3624
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the 3625
effective date of this amendment, and for the value-added 3626
progress dimension under division (A) (1) (e) or (B) (1) (e) of that 3627
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the 2012-2013, 2013- 3628
2014, 2014-2015, or 2015-2016 school year. 3629

(c) The district received an overall grade of "D" or "F" 3630
under division (C) (3) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 3631
it existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3632
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code or a grade of "F" for the 3633
value-added progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of 3634
either section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the 2016-2017 3635
school year or any school year thereafter. 3636

(6) Beginning in the 2016-2017 school year, the student is 3637
enrolled in or will be enrolling in a building in the school 3638

year for which the scholarship is sought that serves any of 3639
grades nine through twelve and that received a grade of "D" or 3640
"F" for the four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate under 3641
division (A) (1) (d), (B) (1) (d), or (C) (1) (d) of section 3302.03 3642
of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date 3643
of this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code in 3644
two of the three most recent report cards published prior to the 3645
first day of July of the school year for which a scholarship is 3646
sought. 3647

(B) (1) The student is enrolled in a school building 3648
operated by the student's resident district and to which both of 3649
the following apply: 3650

(a) The building was ranked, for at least two of the three 3651
most recent rankings prior to the first day of July of the 3652
school year for which a scholarship is sought, in the lowest ten 3653
per cent of all buildings operated by city, local, and exempted 3654
village school districts according to performance index score as 3655
determined by the department of education. 3656

(b) The building was not declared to be excellent or 3657
effective, or the equivalent of such ratings as determined by 3658
the department, under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it 3659
existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3660
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code in the most recent rating 3661
published prior to the first day of July of the school year for 3662
which a scholarship is sought. 3663

(2) The student will be enrolling in any of grades 3664
kindergarten through twelve in this state for the first time in 3665
the school year for which a scholarship is sought, will be at 3666
least five years of age, as defined in section 3321.01 of the 3667
Revised Code, by the first day of January of the school year for 3668

which a scholarship is sought, and otherwise would be assigned 3669
under section 3319.01 of the Revised Code in the school year for 3670
which a scholarship is sought, to a school building described in 3671
division (B) (1) of this section. 3672

(3) The student is enrolled in a community school 3673
established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code but 3674
otherwise would be assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised 3675
Code to a building described in division (B) (1) of this section. 3676

(4) The student is enrolled in a school building operated 3677
by the student's resident district or in a community school 3678
established under Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code and 3679
otherwise would be assigned under section 3319.01 of the Revised 3680
Code to a school building described in division (B) (1) of this 3681
section in the school year for which the scholarship is sought. 3682

(C) The student is enrolled in a nonpublic school at the 3683
time the school is granted a charter by the state board of 3684
education under section 3301.16 of the Revised Code and the 3685
student meets the standards of division (B) of section 3310.031 3686
of the Revised Code. 3687

(D) For the 2016-2017 school year and each school year 3688
thereafter, the student is in any of grades kindergarten through 3689
three, is enrolled in a school building that is operated by the 3690
student's resident district or will be enrolling in any of 3691
grades kindergarten through twelve in this state for the first 3692
time in the school year for which a scholarship is sought, and 3693
to which both of the following apply: 3694

(1) The building, in at least two of the three most recent 3695
ratings of school buildings published prior to the first day of 3696
July of the school year for which a scholarship is sought, 3697

received a grade of "D" or "F" for making progress in improving 3698
literacy in grades kindergarten through three under division (B) 3699
(1) (g) or (C) (1) (g) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 3700
it existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3701
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code; 3702

(2) The building did not receive a grade of "A" for making 3703
progress in improving literacy in grades kindergarten through 3704
three under division (B) (1) (g) or (C) (1) (g) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3705
3302.032 of the Revised Code in the most recent rating published 3706
prior to the first day of July of the school year for which a 3707
scholarship is sought. 3708

(E) The student's resident district is subject to section 3709
3302.10 of the Revised Code and the student either: 3710

(1) Is enrolled in a school building operated by the 3711
resident district or in a community school established under 3712
Chapter 3314. of the Revised Code; 3713

(2) Will be both enrolling in any of grades kindergarten 3714
through twelve in this state for the first time and at least 3715
five years of age by the first day of January of the school year 3716
for which a scholarship is sought. 3717

(F) A student who receives a scholarship under the 3718
educational choice scholarship pilot program remains an eligible 3719
student and may continue to receive scholarships in subsequent 3720
school years until the student completes grade twelve, so long 3721
as all of the following apply: 3722

(1) The student's resident district remains the same, or 3723
the student transfers to a new resident district and otherwise 3724
would be assigned in the new resident district to a school 3725
building described in division (A) (1), (B) (1), (D), or (E) of 3726

this section. 3727

(2) Except as provided in divisions (K) (1) and (L) of 3728
section 3301.0711 of the Revised Code, the student takes each 3729
assessment prescribed for the student's grade level under 3730
section 3301.0710 or 3301.0712 of the Revised Code while 3731
enrolled in a chartered nonpublic school. 3732

(3) In each school year that the student is enrolled in a 3733
chartered nonpublic school, the student is absent from school 3734
for not more than twenty days that the school is open for 3735
instruction, not including excused absences. 3736

(G) (1) The department shall cease awarding first-time 3737
scholarships pursuant to divisions (A) (1) to (4) of this section 3738
with respect to a school building that, in the most recent 3739
ratings of school buildings published under section 3302.03 of 3740
the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of 3741
this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code prior to 3742
the first day of July of the school year, ceases to meet the 3743
criteria in division (A) (1) of this section. The department 3744
shall cease awarding first-time scholarships pursuant to 3745
division (A) (5) of this section with respect to a school 3746
district that, in the most recent ratings of school districts 3747
published under section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code 3748
prior to the first day of July of the school year, ceases to 3749
meet the criteria in division (A) (5) of this section. 3750

(2) The department shall cease awarding first-time 3751
scholarships pursuant to divisions (B) (1) to (4) of this section 3752
with respect to a school building that, in the most recent 3753
ratings of school buildings under section 3302.03 of the Revised 3754
Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this 3755
amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code prior to the 3756

first day of July of the school year, ceases to meet the 3757
criteria in division (B) (1) of this section. 3758

(3) The department shall cease awarding first-time 3759
scholarships pursuant to division (D) of this section with 3760
respect to a school building that, in the most recent ratings of 3761
school buildings under section 3302.03 or 3302.032 of the 3762
Revised Code prior to the first day of July of the school year, 3763
ceases to meet the criteria in division (D) of this section. 3764

(4) The department shall cease awarding first-time 3765
scholarships pursuant to division (E) of this section with 3766
respect to a school district subject to section 3302.10 of the 3767
Revised Code when the academic distress commission established 3768
for the district ceases to exist. 3769

(5) However, students who have received scholarships in 3770
the prior school year remain eligible students pursuant to 3771
division (F) of this section. 3772

(H) The state board of education shall adopt rules 3773
defining excused absences for purposes of division (F) (3) of 3774
this section. 3775

(I) (1) A student who satisfies only the conditions 3776
prescribed in divisions (A) (1) to (4) of this section shall not 3777
be eligible for a scholarship if the student's resident building 3778
meets any of the following in the most recent rating under 3779
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the 3780
effective date of this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the 3781
Revised Code published prior to the first day of July of the 3782
school year for which a scholarship is sought: 3783

(a) The building has an overall designation of excellent 3784
or effective under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code as it 3785

existed prior to March 22, 2013. 3786

(b) For the 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, or 2015-2016 3787
school year, the building has a grade of "A" or "B" for the 3788
performance index score under division (A) (1) (b) or (B) (1) (b) of 3789
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the 3790
effective date of this amendment, and for the value-added 3791
progress dimension under division (A) (1) (e) or (B) (1) (e) of that 3792
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code; or if the building serves 3793
only grades ten through twelve, the building received a grade of 3794
"A" or "B" for the performance index score under division (A) (1) 3795
(b) or (B) (1) (b) of that section 3302.03 of the Revised Code and 3796
had a four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate of greater than 3797
or equal to seventy-five per cent. 3798

(c) For the 2016-2017 school year or any school year 3799
thereafter, the building has a grade of "A" or "B" under 3800
division (C) (3) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it 3801
existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3802
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code and a grade of "A" for the 3803
value-added progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of 3804
either section 3302.03 of the Revised Code; or if the building 3805
serves only grades ten through twelve, the building received a 3806
grade of "A" or "B" for the performance index score under 3807
division (C) (1) (b) of either section 3302.03 of the Revised Code 3808
and had a four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate of greater 3809
than or equal to seventy-five per cent. 3810

(2) A student who satisfies only the conditions prescribed 3811
in division (A) (5) of this section shall not be eligible for a 3812
scholarship if the student's resident district meets any of the 3813
following in the most recent rating under section 3302.03 of the 3814
Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this 3815

amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code published 3816
prior to the first day of July of the school year for which a 3817
scholarship is sought: 3818

(a) The district has an overall designation of excellent 3819
or effective under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code as it 3820
existed prior to March 22, 2013. 3821

(b) The district has a grade of "A" or "B" for the 3822
performance index score under division (A) (1) (b) or (B) (1) (b) of 3823
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the 3824
effective date of this amendment, and for the value-added 3825
progress dimension under division (A) (1) (e) or (B) (1) (e) of that 3826
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the 2012-2013, 2013- 3827
2014, 2014-2015, and 2015-2016 school years. 3828

(c) The district has an overall grade of "A" or "B" under 3829
division (C) (3) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it 3830
existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 3831
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code and a grade of "A" for the 3832
value-added progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of 3833
either section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for the 2016-2017 3834
school year or any school year thereafter. 3835

Sec. 3311.741. (A) This section applies only to a 3836
municipal school district in existence on July 1, 2012. 3837

(B) Not later than December 1, 2012, the board of 3838
education of each municipal school district to which this 3839
section applies shall submit to the superintendent of public 3840
instruction an array of measures to be used in evaluating the 3841
performance of the district. The measures shall assess at least 3842
overall student achievement, student progress over time, the 3843
achievement and progress over time of each of the applicable 3844

categories of students described in section 3302.03 and division 3845
(F) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code, and college 3846
and career readiness. The state superintendent shall approve or 3847
disapprove the measures by January 15, 2013. If the measures are 3848
disapproved, the state superintendent shall recommend 3849
modifications that will make the measures acceptable. 3850

(C) Beginning with the 2012-2013 school year, the board 3851
annually shall establish goals for improvement on each of the 3852
measures approved under division (B) of this section. The school 3853
district's performance data for the 2011-2012 school year shall 3854
be used as a baseline for determining improvement. 3855

(D) Not later than October 1, 2013, and by the first day 3856
of October each year thereafter, the board shall issue a report 3857
describing the school district's performance for the previous 3858
school year on each of the measures approved under division (B) 3859
of this section and whether the district has met each of the 3860
improvement goals established for that year under division (C) 3861
of this section. The board shall provide the report to the 3862
governor, the superintendent of public instruction, and, in 3863
accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, the general 3864
assembly. 3865

(E) Not later than November 15, 2017, the superintendent 3866
of public instruction shall evaluate the school district's 3867
performance based on the measures approved under division (B) of 3868
this section and shall issue a report to the governor and 3869
general assembly. 3870

Sec. 3311.80. Notwithstanding any provision of the Revised 3871
Code to the contrary, a municipal school district shall be 3872
subject to this section instead of section 3319.111 of the 3873
Revised Code. 3874

(A) ~~Not later than July 1, 2013, the~~ The board of 3875
education of each municipal school district and the teachers' 3876
labor organization shall develop and adopt standards-based 3877
teacher evaluation procedures that conform with the framework 3878
for evaluation of teachers developed under section 3319.112 of 3879
the Revised Code. The evaluation procedures shall include at 3880
least formal observations and classroom ~~walk-~~ 3881
~~throughs~~ ~~walkthroughs~~, which may be announced or unannounced; 3882
examinations of samples of work, such as lesson plans or 3883
assessments designed by a teacher; and multiple measures of 3884
student academic growth. 3885

(B) When using measures of student academic growth as a 3886
component of a teacher's evaluation, those measures shall 3887
include the value-added progress dimension prescribed by section 3888
3302.021 of the Revised Code or the alternative student academic 3889
progress measure if adopted under division (C) (1) (e) of section 3890
~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code. For teachers of grade 3891
levels and subjects for which the value-added progress dimension 3892
or alternative student academic achievement measure is not 3893
applicable, the board shall administer assessments on the list 3894
developed under division (B) (2) of section 3319.112 of the 3895
Revised Code. 3896

(C) (1) Each teacher employed by the board shall be 3897
evaluated at least once each school year, except as provided in 3898
division (C) (2) of this section. The composite evaluation shall 3899
be completed not later than the first day of June and the 3900
teacher shall receive a written report of the results of the 3901
composite evaluation not later than ten days after its 3902
completion or the last teacher work day of the school year, 3903
whichever is earlier. 3904

(2) Each teacher who received a rating of accomplished on 3905
the teacher's most recent evaluation conducted under this 3906
section may be evaluated once every two school years, except 3907
that the teacher shall be evaluated in any school year in which 3908
the teacher's contract is due to expire. The biennial composite 3909
evaluation shall be completed not later than the first day of 3910
June of the applicable school year, and the teacher shall 3911
receive a written report of the results of the composite 3912
evaluation not later than ten days after its completion or the 3913
last teacher work day of the school year, whichever is earlier. 3914

(D) Each evaluation conducted pursuant to this section 3915
shall be conducted by one or more of the following persons who 3916
have been trained to conduct evaluations in accordance with 3917
criteria that shall be developed jointly by the chief executive 3918
officer of the district, or the chief executive officer's 3919
designee, and the teachers' labor organization: 3920

(1) The chief executive officer or a subordinate officer 3921
of the district with responsibility for instruction or academic 3922
affairs; 3923

(2) A person who is under contract with the board pursuant 3924
to section 3319.02 of the Revised Code and holds a license 3925
designated for being a principal issued under section 3319.22 of 3926
the Revised Code; 3927

(3) A person who is under contract with the board pursuant 3928
to section 3319.02 of the Revised Code and holds a license 3929
designated for being a vocational director or a supervisor in 3930
any educational area issued under section 3319.22 of the Revised 3931
Code; 3932

(4) A person designated to conduct evaluations under an 3933

agreement providing for peer assistance and review entered into 3934
by the board and the teachers' labor organization. 3935

(E) The evaluation procedures shall describe how the 3936
evaluation results will be used for decisions regarding 3937
compensation, retention, promotion, and reductions in force and 3938
for removal of poorly performing teachers. 3939

(F) A teacher may challenge any violations of the 3940
evaluation procedures in accordance with the grievance procedure 3941
specified in any applicable collective bargaining agreement. A 3942
challenge under this division is limited to the determination of 3943
procedural errors that have resulted in substantive harm to the 3944
teacher and to ordering the correction of procedural errors. The 3945
failure of the board or a person conducting an evaluation to 3946
strictly comply with any deadline or evaluation forms 3947
established as part of the evaluation process shall not be cause 3948
for an arbitrator to determine that a procedural error occurred, 3949
unless the arbitrator finds that the failure resulted in 3950
substantive harm to the teacher. The arbitrator shall have no 3951
jurisdiction to modify the evaluation results, but the 3952
arbitrator may stay any decision taken pursuant to division (E) 3953
of this section pending the board's correction of any procedural 3954
error. The board shall correct any procedural error within 3955
fifteen business days after the arbitrator's determination that 3956
a procedural error occurred. 3957

(G) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in 3958
Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, the requirements of this 3959
section prevail over any conflicting provisions of a collective 3960
bargaining agreement entered into on or after October 1, 2012. 3961
However, the board and the teachers' labor organization may 3962
negotiate additional evaluation procedures, including an 3963

evaluation process incorporating peer assistance and review, 3964
provided the procedures are consistent with this section. 3965

(H) This section does not apply to administrators 3966
appointed by the chief executive officer of a municipal school 3967
district under section 3311.72 of the Revised Code, 3968
administrators subject to evaluation procedures under section 3969
3311.84 or 3319.02 of the Revised Code, or to any teacher 3970
employed as a substitute for less than one hundred twenty days 3971
during a school year pursuant to section 3319.10 of the Revised 3972
Code. 3973

Sec. 3313.413. (A) As used in this section, "high- 3974
performing community school" means either of the following: 3975

(1) A community school established under Chapter 3314. of 3976
the Revised Code that meets the following conditions: 3977

(a) Except as provided in division (A) (1) (b) or (c) of 3978
this section, the school both: 3979

(i) Has received a grade of "A," "B," or "C" for the 3980
performance index score under division (C) (1) (b) of section 3981
~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code or has increased its 3982
performance index score under division (C) (1) (b) of section 3983
~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code in each of the previous 3984
three years of operation; and 3985

(ii) Has received a grade of "A" or "B" for the value- 3986
added progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of section 3987
~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code on its most recent report 3988
card rating issued under that section. 3989

(b) If the school serves only grades kindergarten through 3990
three, the school received a grade of "A" or "B" for making 3991
progress in improving literacy in grades kindergarten through 3992

three under division (C) (1) (g) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of 3993
the Revised Code on its most recent report card issued under 3994
that section. 3995

(c) If the school primarily serves students enrolled in a 3996
dropout prevention and recovery program as described in division 3997
(A) ~~(4)~~ (2) (a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code, the school 3998
received a rating of "exceeds standards" on its most recent 3999
report card issued under section 3314.017 of the Revised Code. 4000

(2) A newly established community school that is 4001
implementing a community school model that has a track record of 4002
high-quality academic performance, as determined by the 4003
department of education. 4004

(B) When a school district board of education decides to 4005
dispose of real property it owns in its corporate capacity under 4006
section 3313.41 of the Revised Code, the board shall first offer 4007
that property to the governing authorities of all start-up 4008
community schools, the boards of trustees of any college- 4009
preparatory boarding schools, and the governing bodies of any 4010
STEM schools that are located within the territory of the 4011
district. Not later than sixty days after the district board 4012
makes the offer, interested governing authorities, boards of 4013
trustees, and governing bodies shall notify the district 4014
treasurer in writing of the intention to purchase the property. 4015

The district board shall give priority to the governing 4016
authorities of high-performing community schools that are 4017
located within the territory of the district. 4018

(1) If more than one governing authority of a high- 4019
performing community school notifies the district treasurer of 4020
its intention to purchase the property pursuant to division (B) 4021

of this section, the board shall conduct a public auction in the 4022
manner required for auctions of district property under division 4023
(A) of section 3313.41 of the Revised Code. Only the governing 4024
authorities of high-performing community schools that notified 4025
the district treasurer pursuant to division (B) of this section 4026
are eligible to bid at the auction. 4027

(2) If no governing authority of a high-performing 4028
community school notifies the district treasurer of its 4029
intention to purchase the property pursuant to division (B) of 4030
this section, the board shall then proceed with the offers from 4031
all other start-up community schools, college-preparatory 4032
boarding schools, and STEM schools made pursuant to that 4033
division. If more than one such entity notifies the district 4034
treasurer of its intention to purchase the property pursuant to 4035
division (B) of this section, the board shall conduct a public 4036
auction in the manner required for auctions of district property 4037
under division (A) of section 3313.41 of the Revised Code. Only 4038
the entities that notified the district treasurer pursuant to 4039
division (B) of this section are eligible to bid at the auction. 4040

(3) If no governing authority, board of trustees, or 4041
governing body notifies the district treasurer of its intention 4042
to purchase the property pursuant to division (B) of this 4043
section, the district may then offer the property for sale in 4044
the manner prescribed under divisions (A) to (F) of section 4045
3313.41 of the Revised Code. 4046

(C) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in sections 4047
3313.41 and 3313.411 of the Revised Code, the purchase price of 4048
any real property sold to any of the entities in accordance with 4049
division (B) of this section shall not be more than the 4050
appraised fair market value of that property as determined in an 4051

appraisal of the property that is not more than one year old. 4052

(D) Not later than the first day of October of each year, 4053
the department of education shall post in a prominent location 4054
on its web site a list of schools that qualify as high- 4055
performing community schools for purposes of this section and 4056
section 3313.411 of the Revised Code. 4057

Sec. 3313.618. (A) In addition to the applicable 4058
curriculum requirements, each student entering ninth grade for 4059
the first time on or after July 1, 2014, shall satisfy at least 4060
one of the following conditions in order to qualify for a high 4061
school diploma: 4062

(1) Be remediation-free, in accordance with standards 4063
adopted under division (F) of section 3345.061 of the Revised 4064
Code, on each of the nationally standardized assessments in 4065
English, mathematics, and reading; 4066

(2) Attain a score specified under division (B) (5) (c) of 4067
section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code on the end-of-course 4068
examinations prescribed under division (B) of section 3301.0712 4069
of the Revised Code. 4070

(3) Attain a score that demonstrates workforce readiness 4071
and employability on a nationally recognized job skills 4072
assessment selected by the state board of education under 4073
division (G) of section 3301.0712 of the Revised Code and obtain 4074
either an industry-recognized credential, as described under 4075
section 3302.03 and division (B) (2) (d) of section ~~3302.03~~ 4076
3302.032 of the Revised Code, or a license issued by a state 4077
agency or board for practice in a vocation that requires an 4078
examination for issuance of that license. 4079

The industry-recognized credentials and licenses shall be 4080

as approved under section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code. 4081

A student may choose to qualify for a high school diploma 4082
by satisfying any of the separate requirements prescribed by 4083
divisions (A) (1) to (3) of this section. If the student's school 4084
district or school does not administer the examination 4085
prescribed by one of those divisions that the student chooses to 4086
take to satisfy the requirements of this section, the school 4087
district or school may require that student to arrange for the 4088
applicable scores to be sent directly to the district or school 4089
by the company or organization that administers the examination. 4090

(B) The state board of education shall not create or 4091
require any additional assessment for the granting of any type 4092
of high school diploma other than as prescribed by this section. 4093
Except as provided in sections 3313.6111 and 3313.6112 of the 4094
Revised Code, the state board or the superintendent of public 4095
instruction shall not create any endorsement or designation that 4096
may be affiliated with a high school diploma. 4097

Sec. 3313.6113. (A) The superintendent of public 4098
instruction, in collaboration with the governor's office of 4099
workforce transformation and representatives of business 4100
organizations, shall establish a committee to develop a list of 4101
industry-recognized credentials and licenses that may be used to 4102
qualify for a high school diploma under division (A) (3) of 4103
section 3313.618 of the Revised Code and shall be used for state 4104
report card purposes under ~~section~~ sections 3302.03 and 3302.032 4105
of the Revised Code. The state superintendent shall appoint the 4106
members of the committee not later than January 1, 2018. 4107

(B) The committee shall do the following: 4108

(1) Establish criteria for acceptable industry-recognized 4109

credentials and licenses aligned with the in-demand jobs list 4110
published by the department of job and family services; 4111

(2) Review the list of industry-recognized credentials and 4112
licenses that was in existence on January 1, 2018, and update 4113
the list as it considers necessary; 4114

(3) Review and update the list of industry-recognized 4115
credentials and licenses at least biennially. 4116

Sec. 3313.903. Except as otherwise required under federal 4117
law, the department of education shall consider an industry- 4118
recognized credential, as described under section 3302.03 and 4119
division (B) (2) (d) of ~~section 3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised 4120
Code, or a license issued by a state agency or board for 4121
practice in a vocation that requires an examination for issuance 4122
of that license as an acceptable measure of technical skill 4123
attainment and shall not require a student with such credential 4124
or license to take additional technical assessments. 4125

Additionally, the department shall not require a student 4126
who has participated in or will be participating in a 4127
credentialing assessment aligned to the student's career- 4128
technical education program or has participated in or will be 4129
participating in taking an examination for issuance of such a 4130
license aligned to the student's career-technical education 4131
program to take additional technical assessments. 4132

However, if the student does not participate in the 4133
credentialing assessment or license examination, the student 4134
shall take the applicable technical assessments prescribed by 4135
the department. 4136

The department shall develop, in consultation with the 4137
Ohio association for career and technical education, the Ohio 4138

association of career-technical superintendents, the Ohio 4139
association of city career-technical schools, and other 4140
stakeholders, procedures for identifying industry-recognized 4141
credentials and licenses aligned to a student's career-technical 4142
education program that can be used as an acceptable measure of 4143
technical skill, and for identifying students in the process of 4144
earning such credentials and licenses. 4145

As used in this section, "technical assessments" shall not 4146
include the nationally recognized job skills assessment 4147
prescribed under division (G) of section 3301.0712 of the 4148
Revised Code. 4149

Nothing in this section shall exempt a student who wishes 4150
to qualify for a high school diploma under division (A) (3) of 4151
section 3313.618 of the Revised Code from the requirement to 4152
attain a specified score on that assessment in order to qualify 4153
for a high school diploma under that section. 4154

Sec. 3314.012. (A) Within ninety days of September 28, 4155
1999, the superintendent of public instruction shall appoint 4156
representatives of the department of education, including 4157
employees who work with the education management information 4158
system, to a committee to develop report card models for 4159
community schools. The committee shall design model report cards 4160
appropriate for the various types of community schools approved 4161
to operate in the state. Sufficient models shall be developed to 4162
reflect the variety of grade levels served and the missions of 4163
the state's community schools. All models shall include both 4164
financial and academic data. The initial models shall be 4165
developed by March 31, 2000. 4166

(B) (1) Except as provided in section 3314.017 of the 4167
Revised Code, the department of education shall issue an annual 4168

report card for each community school, regardless of how long 4169
the school has been in operation. The report card shall report 4170
the academic and financial performance of the school utilizing 4171
one of the models developed under division (A) of this section. 4172
The report card shall include all information applicable to 4173
school buildings under ~~divisions (A), (B), (C), and (D) of~~ 4174
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. ~~The~~ 4175

(2) The ratings a community school receives under section 4176
~~3302.03-3302.032~~ of the Revised Code for its first two full 4177
school years shall not be considered toward automatic closure of 4178
the school under section 3314.35 of the Revised Code or any 4179
other matter that is based on report card ratings. 4180

(C) Upon receipt of a copy of a contract between a sponsor 4181
and a community school entered into under this chapter, the 4182
department of education shall notify the community school of the 4183
specific model report card that will be used for that school. 4184

(D) Report cards shall be distributed to the parents of 4185
all students in the community school, to the members of the 4186
board of education of the school district in which the community 4187
school is located, and to any person who requests one from the 4188
department. 4189

Sec. 3314.015. (A) The department of education shall be 4190
responsible for the oversight of any and all sponsors of the 4191
community schools established under this chapter and shall 4192
provide technical assistance to schools and sponsors in their 4193
compliance with applicable laws and the terms of the contracts 4194
entered into under section 3314.03 of the Revised Code and in 4195
the development and start-up activities of those schools. In 4196
carrying out its duties under this section, the department shall 4197
do all of the following: 4198

(1) In providing technical assistance to proposing 4199
parties, governing authorities, and sponsors, conduct training 4200
sessions and distribute informational materials; 4201

(2) Approve entities to be sponsors of community schools; 4202

(3) Monitor and evaluate, as required under section 4203
3314.016 of the Revised Code, the effectiveness of any and all 4204
sponsors in their oversight of the schools with which they have 4205
contracted; 4206

(4) By December thirty-first of each year, issue a report 4207
to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, 4208
the president of the senate, and the chairpersons of the house 4209
and senate committees principally responsible for education 4210
matters regarding the effectiveness of academic programs, 4211
operations, and legal compliance and of the financial condition 4212
of all community schools established under this chapter and on 4213
the performance of community school sponsors; 4214

(5) From time to time, make legislative recommendations to 4215
the general assembly designed to enhance the operation and 4216
performance of community schools. 4217

(B) (1) Except as provided in sections 3314.021 and 4218
3314.027 of the Revised Code, no entity shall enter into a 4219
preliminary agreement under division (C) (2) of section 3314.02 4220
of the Revised Code or renew an existing contract to sponsor a 4221
community school until it has received approval from the 4222
department of education to sponsor community schools under this 4223
chapter and has entered into a written agreement with the 4224
department regarding the manner in which the entity will conduct 4225
such sponsorship. 4226

On and after July 1, 2017, each entity that sponsors a 4227

community school in this state, except for an entity described 4228
in sections 3314.021 and 3314.027 of the Revised Code, shall 4229
attain approval from the department in order to continue 4230
sponsoring schools regardless of whether that entity intends to 4231
enter into a preliminary agreement or renew an existing 4232
contract. 4233

All new and renewed agreements between the department and 4234
a sponsor shall contain specific language addressing the 4235
parameters under which the department can intervene and 4236
potentially revoke sponsorship authority in the event that the 4237
sponsor is unwilling or unable to fulfill its obligations. 4238
Additionally, each agreement shall set forth any territorial 4239
restrictions and limits on the number of schools that entity may 4240
sponsor, provide for an annual evaluation process, and include a 4241
stipulation permitting the department to modify the agreement 4242
under the following circumstances: 4243

(a) Poor fiscal management; 4244

(b) Lack of academic progress. 4245

(2) The initial term of a sponsor's agreement with the 4246
department shall be for up to five years. 4247

(a) An agreement entered into with the department pursuant 4248
to this section may be renewed for a term of up to ten years 4249
using the following criteria: 4250

(i) The academic performance of students enrolled in each 4251
community school the entity sponsors, as determined by the 4252
department pursuant to division (B) (1) (a) of section 3314.016 of 4253
the Revised Code; 4254

(ii) The sponsor's adherence to quality practices, as 4255
determined by the department pursuant to division (B) (1) (b) of 4256

section 3314.016 of the Revised Code; 4257

(iii) The sponsor's compliance with all applicable laws 4258
and administrative rules. 4259

(b) Each agreement between the department and a sponsor 4260
shall specify that entities with an overall rating of 4261
"exemplary" for at least two consecutive years shall not be 4262
subject to the limit on the number of community schools the 4263
entity may sponsor or any territorial restrictions on 4264
sponsorship, for so long as that entity continues to be rated 4265
"exemplary." 4266

(c) The state board of education shall adopt in accordance 4267
with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code rules containing criteria, 4268
procedures, and deadlines for processing applications for 4269
approval of sponsors, for oversight of sponsors, for notifying a 4270
sponsor of noncompliance with applicable laws and administrative 4271
rules under division (F) of this section, for revocation of the 4272
approval of sponsors under division (C) of this section, and for 4273
entering into written agreements with sponsors. The rules shall 4274
require an entity to submit evidence of the entity's ability and 4275
willingness to comply with the provisions of division (D) of 4276
section 3314.03 of the Revised Code. The rules also shall 4277
require all entities approved as sponsors to demonstrate a 4278
record of financial responsibility and successful implementation 4279
of educational programs. If an entity seeking approval to 4280
sponsor community schools in this state sponsors or operates 4281
schools in another state, at least one of the schools sponsored 4282
or operated by the entity must be comparable to or better than 4283
the performance of Ohio schools in need of continuous 4284
improvement under section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code, 4285
as determined by the department. 4286

Subject to section 3314.016 of the Revised Code, an entity
that sponsors community schools may enter into preliminary
agreements and sponsor up to one hundred schools, provided each
school and the contract for sponsorship meets the requirements
of this chapter.

(3) The state board of education shall determine, pursuant
to criteria specified in rules adopted in accordance with
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, whether the mission proposed
to be specified in the contract of a community school to be
sponsored by a state university board of trustees or the board's
designee under division (C) (1) (e) of section 3314.02 of the
Revised Code complies with the requirements of that division.
Such determination of the state board is final.

(4) The state board of education shall determine, pursuant
to criteria specified in rules adopted in accordance with
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, if any tax-exempt entity under
section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code that is proposed
to be a sponsor of a community school is an education-oriented
entity for purpose of satisfying the condition prescribed in
division (C) (1) (f) (iii) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code.
Such determination of the state board is final.

(C) If at any time the state board of education finds that
a sponsor is not in compliance or is no longer willing to comply
with its contract with any community school or with the
department's rules for sponsorship, the state board or designee
shall conduct a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of the
Revised Code on that matter. If after the hearing, the state
board or designee has confirmed the original finding, the
department of education may revoke the sponsor's approval to
sponsor community schools. In that case, the department's office

of Ohio school sponsorship, established under section 3314.029 4317
of the Revised Code, may assume the sponsorship of any schools 4318
with which the sponsor has contracted until the earlier of the 4319
expiration of two school years or until a new sponsor as 4320
described in division (C) (1) of section 3314.02 of the Revised 4321
Code is secured by the school's governing authority. The office 4322
of Ohio school sponsorship may extend the term of the contract 4323
in the case of a school for which it has assumed sponsorship 4324
under this division as necessary to accommodate the term of the 4325
department's authorization to sponsor the school specified in 4326
this division. Community schools sponsored under this division 4327
shall not apply to the limit on directly authorized community 4328
schools under division (A) (3) of section 3314.029 of the Revised 4329
Code. However, nothing in this division shall preclude a 4330
community school affected by this division from applying for 4331
sponsorship under that section. 4332

(D) The decision of the department to disapprove an entity 4333
for sponsorship of a community school or to revoke approval for 4334
such sponsorship under division (C) of this section, may be 4335
appealed by the entity in accordance with section 119.12 of the 4336
Revised Code. 4337

(E) The department shall adopt procedures for use by a 4338
community school governing authority and sponsor when the school 4339
permanently closes and ceases operation, which shall include at 4340
least procedures for data reporting to the department, handling 4341
of student records, distribution of assets in accordance with 4342
section 3314.074 of the Revised Code, and other matters related 4343
to ceasing operation of the school. 4344

(F) (1) In lieu of revoking a sponsor's authority to 4345
sponsor community schools under division (C) of this section, if 4346

the department finds that a sponsor is not in compliance with 4347
applicable laws and administrative rules, the department shall 4348
declare in a written notice to the sponsor the specific laws or 4349
rules, or both, for which the sponsor is noncompliant. A sponsor 4350
notified under division (F) (1) of this section shall respond to 4351
the department not later than fourteen days after the 4352
notification with a proposed plan to remedy the conditions for 4353
which the sponsor was found to be noncompliant. The department 4354
shall approve or disapprove the plan not later than fourteen 4355
days after receiving it. If the plan is disapproved, the sponsor 4356
may submit a revised plan to the department not later than 4357
fourteen days after receiving notification of disapproval from 4358
the department or not later than sixty days after the date the 4359
sponsor received notification of noncompliance from the 4360
department, whichever is earlier. The department shall approve 4361
or disapprove the revised plan not later than fourteen days 4362
after receiving it or not later than sixty days after the date 4363
the sponsor received notification of noncompliance from the 4364
department, whichever is earlier. A sponsor may continue to make 4365
revisions by the deadlines prescribed in division (F) (1) of this 4366
section to any revised plan that is disapproved by the 4367
department until the sixtieth day after the date the sponsor 4368
received notification of noncompliance from the department. 4369

If a plan or a revised plan is approved, the sponsor shall 4370
implement it not later than sixty days after the date the 4371
sponsor received notification of noncompliance from the 4372
department or not later than thirty days after the plan is 4373
approved, whichever is later. If a sponsor does not respond to 4374
the department or implement an approved compliance plan by the 4375
deadlines prescribed by division (F) (1) of this section, or if a 4376
sponsor does not receive approval of a compliance plan on or 4377

before the sixtieth day after the date the sponsor received 4378
notification of noncompliance from the department, the 4379
department shall declare in written notice to the sponsor that 4380
the sponsor is in probationary status, and may limit the 4381
sponsor's ability to sponsor additional schools. 4382

(2) A sponsor that has been placed on probationary status 4383
under division (F) (1) of this section may apply to the 4384
department for its probationary status to be lifted. The 4385
application for a sponsor's probationary status to be lifted 4386
shall include evidence, occurring after the initial notification 4387
of noncompliance, of the sponsor's compliance with applicable 4388
laws and administrative rules. Not later than fourteen days 4389
after receiving an application from the sponsor, the department 4390
shall decide whether or not to remove the sponsor's probationary 4391
status. 4392

(G) In carrying out its duties under this chapter, the 4393
department shall not impose requirements on community schools or 4394
their sponsors that are not permitted by law or duly adopted 4395
rules. 4396

(H) This section applies to entities that sponsor 4397
conversion community schools and new start-up schools. 4398

(I) Nothing in divisions (C) to (F) of this section 4399
prohibits the department from taking any action permitted or 4400
required under the written agreement between the department and 4401
a sponsoring entity without a hearing on the matter, in the 4402
event that the sponsor is unwilling or unable to fulfill its 4403
obligations. 4404

Sec. 3314.016. This section applies to any entity that 4405
sponsors a community school, regardless of whether section 4406

3314.021 or 3314.027 of the Revised Code exempts the entity from 4407
the requirement to be approved for sponsorship under divisions 4408
(A) (2) and (B) (1) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. The 4409
office of Ohio school sponsorship established under section 4410
3314.029 of the Revised Code shall be rated under division (B) 4411
of this section, but divisions (A) and (C) of this section do 4412
not apply to the office. 4413

(A) An entity that sponsors a community school shall be 4414
permitted to enter into contracts under section 3314.03 of the 4415
Revised Code to sponsor additional community schools only if the 4416
entity meets all of the following criteria: 4417

(1) The entity is in compliance with all provisions of 4418
this chapter requiring sponsors of community schools to report 4419
data or information to the department of education. 4420

(2) The entity is not rated as "ineffective" under 4421
division (B) (6) of this section. 4422

(3) Except as set forth in sections 3314.021 and 3314.027 4423
of the Revised Code, the entity has received approval from and 4424
entered into an agreement with the department of education 4425
pursuant to section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. 4426

(B) (1) Beginning with the 2015-2016 school year, the 4427
department shall develop and implement an evaluation system that 4428
annually rates and assigns an overall rating to each entity that 4429
sponsors a community school. That evaluation system shall be 4430
developed and posted on the department's web site by the 4431
fifteenth day of July of each school year. Any changes to the 4432
evaluation system after that date shall take effect the 4433
following year. The evaluation system shall be based on the 4434
following components: 4435

(a) Academic performance of students enrolled in community schools sponsored by the same entity. The academic performance component shall be derived from the performance measures prescribed for the state report cards under section 3302.03 or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, and shall be based on the performance of the schools for the school year for which the evaluation is conducted. In addition to the academic performance for a specific school year, the academic performance component shall also include year-to-year changes in the overall sponsor portfolio. For a community school for which no graded performance measures are applicable or available, the department shall use nonreport card performance measures specified in the contract between the community school and the sponsor under division (A) (4) of section 3314.03 of the Revised Code.

(b) Adherence by a sponsor to the quality practices prescribed by the department under division (B) (3) of this section. For a sponsor that was rated "effective" or "exemplary" on its most recent rating, the department may evaluate that sponsor's adherence to quality practices once over a period of three years. If the department elects to evaluate a sponsor once over a period of three years, the most recent rating for a sponsor's adherence to quality practices shall be used when determining an annual overall rating conducted under this section.

(c) Compliance with all applicable laws and administrative rules by an entity that sponsors a community school.

(2) In calculating an academic performance component, the department shall exclude all community schools that have been in operation for not more than two full school years and all community schools described in division (A) ~~(4)~~ (2) (b) of section

3314.35 of the Revised Code. However, the academic performance 4466
of the community schools described in division (A)~~(A)~~(2)(b) of 4467
section 3314.35 of the Revised Code shall be reported, but shall 4468
not be used as a factor when determining a sponsoring entity's 4469
rating under this section. 4470

(3) The department, in consultation with entities that 4471
sponsor community schools, shall prescribe quality practices for 4472
community school sponsors and develop an instrument to measure 4473
adherence to those quality practices. The quality practices 4474
shall be based on standards developed by the national 4475
association of charter school authorizers or any other 4476
nationally organized community school organization. 4477

(4) (a) The department may permit peer review of a 4478
sponsor's adherence to the quality practices prescribed under 4479
division (B) (3) of this section. Peer reviewers shall be limited 4480
to individuals employed by sponsors rated "effective" or 4481
"exemplary" on the most recent ratings conducted under this 4482
section. 4483

(b) The department shall require individuals participating 4484
in peer review under division (B) (4) (a) of this section to 4485
complete training approved or established by the department. 4486

(c) The department may enter into an agreement with 4487
another entity to provide training to individuals conducting 4488
peer review of sponsors. Prior to entering into an agreement 4489
with an entity, the department shall review and approve of the 4490
entity's training program. 4491

(5) Not later than July 1, 2013, the state board of 4492
education shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of 4493
the Revised Code prescribing standards for measuring compliance 4494

with applicable laws and rules under division (B) (1) (c) of this section. 4495
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(6) The department annually shall rate all entities that 4497
sponsor community schools as either "exemplary," "effective," 4498
"ineffective," or "poor," based on the components prescribed by 4499
division (B) of this section, where each component is weighted 4500
equally. A separate rating shall be given by the department for 4501
each component of the evaluation system. 4502

The department shall publish the ratings between the first 4503
day of October and the fifteenth day of November. 4504

Prior to the publication of the final ratings, the 4505
department shall designate and provide notice of a period of at 4506
least ten business days during which each sponsor may review the 4507
information used by the department to determine the sponsor's 4508
rating on the components prescribed by divisions (B) (1) (b) and 4509
(c) of this section. If the sponsor believes there is an error 4510
in the department's evaluation, the sponsor may request 4511
adjustments to the rating of either of those components based on 4512
documentation previously submitted as part of an evaluation. The 4513
sponsor shall provide to the department any necessary evidence 4514
or information to support the requested adjustments. The 4515
department shall review the evidence and information, determine 4516
whether an adjustment is valid, and promptly notify the sponsor 4517
of its determination and reasons. If any adjustments to the data 4518
could result in a change to the rating on the applicable 4519
component or to the overall rating, the department shall 4520
recalculate the ratings prior to publication. 4521

The department shall provide training on an annual basis 4522
regarding the evaluation system prescribed under this section. 4523
The training shall, at a minimum, describe methodology, 4524

timelines, and data required for the evaluation system. The 4525
first training session shall occur not later than March 2, 2016. 4526
Beginning in 2018, the training shall be made available to each 4527
entity that sponsors a community school by the fifteenth day of 4528
July of each year and shall include guidance on any changes made 4529
to the evaluation system. 4530

(7) (a) Entities with an overall rating of "exemplary" for 4531
at least two consecutive years may take advantage of the 4532
following incentives: 4533

(i) Renewal of the written agreement with the department, 4534
not to exceed ten years, provided that the entity consents to 4535
continued evaluation of adherence to quality practices as 4536
described in division (B) (1) (b) of this section; 4537

(ii) The ability to extend the term of the contract 4538
between the sponsoring entity and the community school beyond 4539
the term described in the written agreement with the department; 4540

(iii) An exemption from the preliminary agreement and 4541
contract adoption and execution deadline requirements prescribed 4542
in division (D) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code; 4543

(iv) An exemption from the automatic contract expiration 4544
requirement, should a new community school fail to open by the 4545
thirtieth day of September of the calendar year in which the 4546
community school contract is executed; 4547

(v) No limit on the number of community schools the entity 4548
may sponsor; 4549

(vi) No territorial restrictions on sponsorship. 4550

An entity may continue to sponsor any community schools 4551
with which it entered into agreements under division (B) (7) (a) 4552

(v) or (vi) of this section while rated "exemplary," 4553
notwithstanding the fact that the entity later receives a lower 4554
overall rating. 4555

(b) (i) Entities that receive an overall rating of 4556
"ineffective" shall be prohibited from sponsoring any new or 4557
additional community schools during the time in which the 4558
sponsor is rated as "ineffective" and shall be subject to a 4559
quality improvement plan based on correcting the deficiencies 4560
that led to the "ineffective" rating, with timelines and 4561
benchmarks that have been established by the department. 4562

(ii) Entities that receive an overall rating of 4563
"ineffective" on their three most recent ratings shall have all 4564
sponsorship authority revoked. Within thirty days after 4565
receiving its third rating of "ineffective," the entity may 4566
appeal the revocation of its sponsorship authority to the 4567
superintendent of public instruction, who shall appoint an 4568
independent hearing officer to conduct a hearing in accordance 4569
with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The hearing shall be 4570
conducted within thirty days after receipt of the notice of 4571
appeal. Within forty-five days after the hearing is completed, 4572
the state board of education shall determine whether the 4573
revocation is appropriate based on the hearing conducted by the 4574
independent hearing officer, and if determined appropriate, the 4575
revocation shall be confirmed. 4576

(c) Entities that receive an overall rating of "poor" 4577
shall have all sponsorship authority revoked. Within thirty days 4578
after receiving a rating of "poor," the entity may appeal the 4579
revocation of its sponsorship authority to the superintendent of 4580
public instruction, who shall appoint an independent hearing 4581
officer to conduct a hearing in accordance with Chapter 119. of 4582

the Revised Code. The hearing shall be conducted within thirty 4583
days after receipt of the notice of appeal. Within forty-five 4584
days after the hearing is completed, the state board of 4585
education shall determine whether the revocation is appropriate 4586
based on the hearing conducted by the independent hearing 4587
officer, and if determined appropriate, the revocation shall be 4588
confirmed. 4589

(8) For the 2014-2015 school year and each school year 4590
thereafter, student academic performance prescribed under 4591
division (B)(1)(a) of this section shall include student 4592
academic performance data from community schools that primarily 4593
serve students enrolled in a dropout prevention and recovery 4594
program. 4595

(C) If the governing authority of a community school 4596
enters into a contract with a sponsor prior to the date on which 4597
the sponsor is prohibited from sponsoring additional schools 4598
under division (A) of this section and the school has not opened 4599
for operation as of that date, that contract shall be void and 4600
the school shall not open until the governing authority secures 4601
a new sponsor by entering into a contract with the new sponsor 4602
under section 3314.03 of the Revised Code. However, the 4603
department's office of Ohio school sponsorship, established 4604
under section 3314.029 of the Revised Code, may assume the 4605
sponsorship of the school until the earlier of the expiration of 4606
two school years or until a new sponsor is secured by the 4607
school's governing authority. A community school sponsored by 4608
the department under this division shall not be included when 4609
calculating the maximum number of directly authorized community 4610
schools permitted under division (A)(3) of section 3314.029 of 4611
the Revised Code. 4612

(D) When an entity's authority to sponsor schools is 4613
revoked pursuant to division (B) (7) (b) or (c) of this section, 4614
the office of Ohio school sponsorship shall assume sponsorship 4615
of any schools with which the original sponsor has contracted 4616
for the remainder of that school year. The office may continue 4617
sponsoring those schools until the earlier of: 4618

(1) The expiration of two school years from the time that 4619
sponsorship is revoked; 4620

(2) When a new sponsor is secured by the governing 4621
authority pursuant to division (C) (1) of section 3314.02 of the 4622
Revised Code. 4623

Any community school sponsored under this division shall 4624
not be counted for purposes of directly authorized community 4625
schools under division (A) (3) of section 3314.029 of the Revised 4626
Code. 4627

Sec. 3314.017. (A) The state board of education shall 4628
prescribe by rules, adopted in accordance with Chapter 119. of 4629
the Revised Code, an academic performance rating and report card 4630
system that satisfies the requirements of this section for 4631
community schools that primarily serve students enrolled in 4632
dropout prevention and recovery programs as described in 4633
division (A) ~~(4)~~ (2) (a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code, to 4634
be used in lieu of the ~~system-systems~~ prescribed under sections 4635
3302.03, 3302.032, and 3314.012 of the Revised Code ~~beginning~~ 4636
~~with the 2012-2013 school year~~. Each such school shall comply 4637
with the testing and reporting requirements of the system as 4638
prescribed by the state board. 4639

(B) Nothing in this section shall at any time relieve a 4640
school from its obligations under the "No Child Left Behind Act 4641

of 2001" to make "adequate yearly progress," as both that act 4642
and that term are defined in section 3302.01 of the Revised 4643
Code, or a school's amenability to the provisions of section 4644
3302.04 or 3302.041 of the Revised Code. The department shall 4645
continue to report each school's performance as required by the 4646
act and to enforce applicable sanctions under section 3302.04 or 4647
3302.041 of the Revised Code. 4648

(C) The rules adopted by the state board shall prescribe 4649
the following performance indicators for the rating and report 4650
card system required by this section: 4651

(1) Graduation rate for each of the following student 4652
cohorts: 4653

(a) The number of students who graduate in four years or 4654
less with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of 4655
students who form the adjusted cohort for the graduating class; 4656

(b) The number of students who graduate in five years with 4657
a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students 4658
who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate; 4659

(c) The number of students who graduate in six years with 4660
a regular high school diploma divided by the number of students 4661
who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year graduation rate; 4662

(d) The number of students who graduate in seven years 4663
with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of 4664
students who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year 4665
graduation rate; 4666

(e) The number of students who graduate in eight years 4667
with a regular high school diploma divided by the number of 4668
students who form the adjusted cohort for the four-year 4669
graduation rate. 4670

(2) The percentage of twelfth-grade students currently 4671
enrolled in the school who have attained the designated passing 4672
score on all of the applicable state high school achievement 4673
assessments required under division (B) (1) or (2) of section 4674
3301.0710 of the Revised Code and other students enrolled in the 4675
school, regardless of grade level, who are within three months 4676
of their twenty-second birthday and have attained the designated 4677
passing score on all of the applicable state high school 4678
achievement assessments by their twenty-second birthday; 4679

(3) Annual measurable objectives as defined in section 4680
3302.01 of the Revised Code; 4681

(4) Growth in student achievement in reading, or 4682
mathematics, or both as measured by separate nationally norm- 4683
referenced assessments that have developed appropriate standards 4684
for students enrolled in dropout prevention and recovery 4685
programs, adopted or approved by the state board. 4686

(D) (1) The state board's rules shall prescribe the 4687
expected performance levels and benchmarks for each of the 4688
indicators prescribed by division (C) of this section based on 4689
the data gathered by the department under division (F) of this 4690
section. Based on a school's level of attainment or 4691
nonattainment of the expected performance levels and benchmarks 4692
for each of the indicators, the department shall rate each 4693
school in one of the following categories: 4694

(a) Exceeds standards; 4695

(b) Meets standards; 4696

(c) Does not meet standards. 4697

(2) The state board's rules shall establish all of the 4698
following: 4699

(a) Not later than June 30, 2013, performance levels and 4700
benchmarks for the indicators described in divisions (C)(1) to 4701
(3) of this section; 4702

(b) Not later than December 31, 2014, both of the 4703
following: 4704

(i) Performance levels and benchmarks for the indicator 4705
described in division (C)(4) of this section; 4706

(ii) Standards for awarding a community school described 4707
in division (A)(4)(2)(a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code 4708
an overall designation, which shall be calculated as follows: 4709

(I) Thirty per cent of the score shall be based on the 4710
indicators described in division (C)(1) of this section that are 4711
applicable to the school year for which the overall designation 4712
is granted. 4713

(II) Thirty per cent of the score shall be based on the 4714
indicators described in division (C)(4) of this section. 4715

(III) Twenty per cent of the score shall be based on the 4716
indicators described in division (C)(2) of this section. 4717

(IV) Twenty per cent of the score shall be based on the 4718
indicators described in division (C)(3) of this section. 4719

(3) If both of the indicators described in divisions (C) 4720
(1) and (2) of this section improve by ten per cent for two 4721
consecutive years, a school shall be rated not less than "meets 4722
standards." 4723

The rating and the relevant performance data for each 4724
school shall be posted on the department's web site, and a copy 4725
of the rating and data shall be provided to the governing 4726
authority of the community school. 4727

(E) (1) For the 2012-2013 school year, the department shall 4728
issue a report card including the following performance 4729
measures, but without a performance rating as described in 4730
divisions (D) (1) (a) to (c) of this section, for each community 4731
school described in division (A) ~~(4)~~ (2) (a) of section 3314.35 of 4732
the Revised Code: 4733

(a) The graduation rates as described in divisions (C) (1) 4734
(a) to (c) of this section; 4735

(b) The percentage of twelfth-grade students and other 4736
students who have attained a designated passing score on high 4737
school achievement assessments as described in division (C) (2) 4738
of this section; 4739

(c) The statewide average for the graduation rates and 4740
assessment passage rates described in divisions (C) (1) (a) to (c) 4741
and (C) (2) of this section; 4742

(d) Annual measurable objectives described in division (C) 4743
(3) of this section. 4744

(2) For the 2013-2014 school year, the department shall 4745
issue a report card including the following performance measures 4746
for each community school described in division (A) ~~(4)~~ (2) (a) of 4747
section 3314.35 of the Revised Code: 4748

(a) The graduation rates described in divisions (C) (1) (a) 4749
to (d) of this section, including a performance rating as 4750
described in divisions (D) (1) (a) to (c) of this section; 4751

(b) The percentage of twelfth-grade students and other 4752
students who have attained a designated passing score on high 4753
school achievement assessments as described in division (C) (2) 4754
of this section, including a performance rating as described in 4755
divisions (D) (1) (a) to (c) of this section; 4756

(c) Annual measurable objectives described in division (C)	4757
(3) of this section, including a performance rating as described	4758
in divisions (D) (1) (a) to (c) of this section;	4759
(d) Both of the following without an assigned rating:	4760
(i) Growth in annual student achievement in reading and	4761
mathematics described in division (C) (4) of this section, if	4762
available;	4763
(ii) Student outcome data, including postsecondary credit	4764
earned, nationally recognized career or technical certification,	4765
military enlistment, job placement, and attendance rate.	4766
(3) Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, and annually	4767
thereafter, the department shall issue a report card for each	4768
community school described in division (A) (4) (a) of section	4769
3314.35 of the Revised Code that includes all of the following	4770
performance measures, including a performance rating for each	4771
measure as described in divisions (D) (1) (a) to (c) of this	4772
section:	4773
(a) The graduation rates as described in division (C) (1)	4774
of this section;	4775
(b) The percentage of twelfth-grade students and other	4776
students who have attained a designated passing score on high	4777
school achievement assessments as described in division (C) (2)	4778
of this section;	4779
(c) Annual measurable objectives described in division (C)	4780
(3) of this section, including a performance rating as described	4781
in divisions (D) (1) (a) to (c) of this section;	4782
(d) Growth in annual student achievement in reading and	4783
mathematics as described in division (C) (4) of this section;	4784

(e) An overall performance designation for the school 4785
calculated under rules adopted under division (D) (2) of this 4786
section. 4787

The department shall also include student outcome data, 4788
including postsecondary credit earned, nationally recognized 4789
career or technical certification, military enlistment, job 4790
placement, attendance rate, and progress on closing achievement 4791
gaps for each school. This information shall not be included in 4792
the calculation of a school's performance rating. 4793

(F) In developing the rating and report card system 4794
required by this section, during the 2012-2013 and 2013-2014 4795
school years, the department shall gather and analyze data as 4796
determined necessary from each community school described in 4797
division (A) (4) (a) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code. Each 4798
such school shall cooperate with the department by supplying 4799
requested data and administering required assessments, including 4800
sample assessments for purposes of measuring student achievement 4801
growth as described in division (C) (4) of this section. The 4802
department shall consult with stakeholder groups in performing 4803
its duties under this division. 4804

The department shall also identify one or more states that 4805
have established or are in the process of establishing similar 4806
academic performance rating systems for dropout prevention and 4807
recovery programs and consult with the departments of education 4808
of those states in developing the system required by this 4809
section. 4810

(G) Not later than December 31, 2014, the state board 4811
shall review the performance levels and benchmarks for 4812
performance indicators in the report card issued under this 4813
section and may revise them based on the data collected under 4814

division (F) of this section. 4815

Sec. 3314.02. (A) As used in this chapter: 4816

(1) "Sponsor" means the board of education of a school 4817
district or the governing board of an educational service center 4818
that agrees to the conversion of all or part of a school or 4819
building under division (B) of this section, or an entity listed 4820
in division (C) (1) of this section, which has been approved by 4821
the department of education to sponsor community schools or is 4822
exempted by section 3314.021 or 3314.027 of the Revised Code 4823
from obtaining approval, and with which the governing authority 4824
of a community school enters into a contract under section 4825
3314.03 of the Revised Code. 4826

(2) "Pilot project area" means the school districts 4827
included in the territory of the former community school pilot 4828
project established by former Section 50.52 of Am. Sub. H.B. No. 4829
215 of the 122nd general assembly. 4830

(3) "Challenged school district" means any of the 4831
following: 4832

(a) A school district that is part of the pilot project 4833
area; 4834

(b) A school district that meets one of the following 4835
conditions: 4836

(i) On March 22, 2013, the district was in a state of 4837
academic emergency or in a state of academic watch under section 4838
3302.03 of the Revised Code, as that section existed prior to 4839
March 22, 2013; 4840

(ii) For two of the 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, and 4841
2015-2016 school years, the district received a grade of "D" or 4842

"F" for the performance index score and a grade of "F" for the 4843
value-added progress dimension under section 3302.03 of the 4844
Revised Code, as it existed between March 22, 2013, and the 4845
effective date of this amendment; 4846

(iii) For the 2016-2017 school year and for any school 4847
year thereafter, the district has received an overall grade of 4848
"D" or "F" under division (C) (3) of section 3302.03 of the 4849
Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date of this 4850
amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code, or, for at 4851
least two of the three most recent school years, the district 4852
received a grade of "F" for the value-added progress dimension 4853
under division (C) (1) (e) of ~~that~~ section 3302.03 or 3302.032 of 4854
the Revised Code. 4855

(c) A big eight school district; 4856

(d) A school district ranked in the lowest five per cent 4857
of school districts according to performance index score under 4858
section 3302.21 of the Revised Code. 4859

(4) "Big eight school district" means a school district 4860
that for fiscal year 1997 had both of the following: 4861

(a) A percentage of children residing in the district and 4862
participating in the predecessor of Ohio works first greater 4863
than thirty per cent, as reported pursuant to section 3317.10 of 4864
the Revised Code; 4865

(b) An average daily membership greater than twelve 4866
thousand, as reported pursuant to former division (A) of section 4867
3317.03 of the Revised Code. 4868

(5) "New start-up school" means a community school other 4869
than one created by converting all or part of an existing public 4870
school or educational service center building, as designated in 4871

the school's contract pursuant to division (A)(17) of section 4872
3314.03 of the Revised Code. 4873

(6) "Urban school district" means one of the state's 4874
twenty-one urban school districts as defined in division (O) of 4875
section 3317.02 of the Revised Code as that section existed 4876
prior to July 1, 1998. 4877

(7) "Internet- or computer-based community school" means a 4878
community school established under this chapter in which the 4879
enrolled students work primarily from their residences on 4880
assignments in nonclassroom-based learning opportunities 4881
provided via an internet- or other computer-based instructional 4882
method that does not rely on regular classroom instruction or 4883
via comprehensive instructional methods that include internet- 4884
based, other computer-based, and noncomputer-based learning 4885
opportunities unless a student receives career-technical 4886
education under section 3314.086 of the Revised Code. 4887

A community school that operates mainly as an internet- or 4888
computer-based community school and provides career-technical 4889
education under section 3314.086 of the Revised Code shall be 4890
considered an internet- or computer-based community school, even 4891
if it provides some classroom-based instruction, so long as it 4892
provides instruction via the methods described in this division. 4893

(8) "Operator" means either of the following: 4894

(a) An individual or organization that manages the daily 4895
operations of a community school pursuant to a contract between 4896
the operator and the school's governing authority; 4897

(b) A nonprofit organization that provides programmatic 4898
oversight and support to a community school under a contract 4899
with the school's governing authority and that retains the right 4900

to terminate its affiliation with the school if the school fails 4901
to meet the organization's quality standards. 4902

(9) "Alliance municipal school district" has the same 4903
meaning as in section 3311.86 of the Revised Code. 4904

(B) (1) Any person or group of individuals may initially 4905
propose under this division the conversion of all or a portion 4906
of a public school to a community school. The proposal shall be 4907
made to the board of education of the city, local, exempted 4908
village, or joint vocational school district in which the public 4909
school is proposed to be converted. 4910

(2) Any person or group of individuals may initially 4911
propose under this division the conversion of all or a portion 4912
of a building operated by an educational service center to a 4913
community school. The proposal shall be made to the governing 4914
board of the service center. 4915

On or after July 1, 2017, except as provided in section 4916
3314.027 of the Revised Code, any educational service center 4917
that sponsors a community school shall be approved by and enter 4918
into a written agreement with the department as described in 4919
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. 4920

(3) Upon receipt of a proposal, and after an agreement has 4921
been entered into pursuant to section 3314.015 of the Revised 4922
Code, a board may enter into a preliminary agreement with the 4923
person or group proposing the conversion of the public school or 4924
service center building, indicating the intention of the board 4925
to support the conversion to a community school. A proposing 4926
person or group that has a preliminary agreement under this 4927
division may proceed to finalize plans for the school, establish 4928
a governing authority for the school, and negotiate a contract 4929

with the board. Provided the proposing person or group adheres 4930
to the preliminary agreement and all provisions of this chapter, 4931
the board shall negotiate in good faith to enter into a contract 4932
in accordance with section 3314.03 of the Revised Code and 4933
division (C) of this section. 4934

(4) The sponsor of a conversion community school proposed 4935
to open in an alliance municipal school district shall be 4936
subject to approval by the department of education for 4937
sponsorship of that school using the criteria established under 4938
division (A) of section 3311.87 of the Revised Code. 4939

Division (B) (4) of this section does not apply to a 4940
sponsor that, on or before September 29, 2015, was exempted 4941
under section 3314.021 or 3314.027 of the Revised Code from the 4942
requirement to be approved for sponsorship under divisions (A) 4943
(2) and (B) (1) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. 4944

(C) (1) Any person or group of individuals may propose 4945
under this division the establishment of a new start-up school 4946
to be located in a challenged school district. The proposal may 4947
be made to any of the following entities: 4948

(a) The board of education of the district in which the 4949
school is proposed to be located; 4950

(b) The board of education of any joint vocational school 4951
district with territory in the county in which is located the 4952
majority of the territory of the district in which the school is 4953
proposed to be located; 4954

(c) The board of education of any other city, local, or 4955
exempted village school district having territory in the same 4956
county where the district in which the school is proposed to be 4957
located has the major portion of its territory; 4958

(d) The governing board of any educational service center, 4959
regardless of the location of the proposed school, may sponsor a 4960
new start-up school in any challenged school district in the 4961
state if all of the following are satisfied: 4962

(i) If applicable, it satisfies the requirements of 4963
division (E) of section 3311.86 of the Revised Code; 4964

(ii) It is approved to do so by the department; 4965

(iii) It enters into an agreement with the department 4966
under section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. 4967

(e) A sponsoring authority designated by the board of 4968
trustees of any of the thirteen state universities listed in 4969
section 3345.011 of the Revised Code or the board of trustees 4970
itself as long as a mission of the proposed school to be 4971
specified in the contract under division (A) (2) of section 4972
3314.03 of the Revised Code and as approved by the department 4973
under division (B) (3) of section 3314.015 of the Revised Code 4974
will be the practical demonstration of teaching methods, 4975
educational technology, or other teaching practices that are 4976
included in the curriculum of the university's teacher 4977
preparation program approved by the state board of education; 4978

(f) Any qualified tax-exempt entity under section 501(c) 4979
(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as long as all of the following 4980
conditions are satisfied: 4981

(i) The entity has been in operation for at least five 4982
years prior to applying to be a community school sponsor. 4983

(ii) The entity has assets of at least five hundred 4984
thousand dollars and a demonstrated record of financial 4985
responsibility. 4986

(iii) The department has determined that the entity is an 4987
education-oriented entity under division (B) (4) of section 4988
3314.015 of the Revised Code and the entity has a demonstrated 4989
record of successful implementation of educational programs. 4990

(iv) The entity is not a community school. 4991

(g) The mayor of a city in which the majority of the 4992
territory of a school district to which section 3311.60 of the 4993
Revised Code applies is located, regardless of whether that 4994
district has created the position of independent auditor as 4995
prescribed by that section. The mayor's sponsorship authority 4996
under this division is limited to community schools that are 4997
located in that school district. Such mayor may sponsor 4998
community schools only with the approval of the city council of 4999
that city, after establishing standards with which community 5000
schools sponsored by the mayor must comply, and after entering 5001
into a sponsor agreement with the department as prescribed under 5002
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code. The mayor shall establish 5003
the standards for community schools sponsored by the mayor not 5004
later than one hundred eighty days after July 15, 2013, and 5005
shall submit them to the department upon their establishment. 5006
The department shall approve the mayor to sponsor community 5007
schools in the district, upon receipt of an application by the 5008
mayor to do so. Not later than ninety days after the 5009
department's approval of the mayor as a community school 5010
sponsor, the department shall enter into the sponsor agreement 5011
with the mayor. 5012

Any entity described in division (C) (1) of this section 5013
may enter into a preliminary agreement pursuant to division (C) 5014
(2) of this section with the proposing person or group, provided 5015
that entity has been approved by and entered into a written 5016

agreement with the department pursuant to section 3314.015 of 5017
the Revised Code. 5018

(2) A preliminary agreement indicates the intention of an 5019
entity described in division (C)(1) of this section to sponsor 5020
the community school. A proposing person or group that has such 5021
a preliminary agreement may proceed to finalize plans for the 5022
school, establish a governing authority as described in division 5023
(E) of this section for the school, and negotiate a contract 5024
with the entity. Provided the proposing person or group adheres 5025
to the preliminary agreement and all provisions of this chapter, 5026
the entity shall negotiate in good faith to enter into a 5027
contract in accordance with section 3314.03 of the Revised Code. 5028

(3) A new start-up school that is established in a school 5029
district described in either division (A)(3)(b) or (d) of this 5030
section may continue in existence once the school district no 5031
longer meets the conditions described in either division, 5032
provided there is a valid contract between the school and a 5033
sponsor. 5034

(4) A copy of every preliminary agreement entered into 5035
under this division shall be filed with the superintendent of 5036
public instruction. 5037

(D) A majority vote of the board of a sponsoring entity 5038
and a majority vote of the members of the governing authority of 5039
a community school shall be required to adopt a contract and 5040
convert the public school or educational service center building 5041
to a community school or establish the new start-up school. 5042
Beginning September 29, 2005, adoption of the contract shall 5043
occur not later than the fifteenth day of March, and signing of 5044
the contract shall occur not later than the fifteenth day of 5045
May, prior to the school year in which the school will open. The 5046

governing authority shall notify the department of education 5047
when the contract has been signed. Subject to sections 3314.013 5048
and 3314.016 of the Revised Code, an unlimited number of 5049
community schools may be established in any school district 5050
provided that a contract is entered into for each community 5051
school pursuant to this chapter. 5052

(E) (1) As used in this division, "immediate relatives" are 5053
limited to spouses, children, parents, grandparents, and 5054
siblings, as well as in-laws residing in the same household as 5055
the person serving on the governing authority. 5056

Each new start-up community school established under this 5057
chapter shall be under the direction of a governing authority 5058
which shall consist of a board of not less than five 5059
individuals. 5060

(2) (a) No person shall serve on the governing authority or 5061
operate the community school under contract with the governing 5062
authority under any of the following circumstances: 5063

(i) The person owes the state any money or is in a dispute 5064
over whether the person owes the state any money concerning the 5065
operation of a community school that has closed. 5066

(ii) The person would otherwise be subject to division (B) 5067
of section 3319.31 of the Revised Code with respect to refusal, 5068
limitation, or revocation of a license to teach, if the person 5069
were a licensed educator. 5070

(iii) The person has pleaded guilty to or been convicted 5071
of theft in office under section 2921.41 of the Revised Code, or 5072
has pleaded guilty to or been convicted of a substantially 5073
similar offense in another state. 5074

(b) No person shall serve on the governing authority or 5075

engage in the financial day-to-day management of the community 5076
school under contract with the governing authority unless and 5077
until that person has submitted to a criminal records check in 5078
the manner prescribed by section 3319.39 of the Revised Code. 5079

(c) Each sponsor of a community school shall annually 5080
verify that a finding for recovery has not been issued by the 5081
auditor of state against any individual or individuals who 5082
propose to create a community school or any member of the 5083
governing authority, the operator, or any employee of each 5084
community school. 5085

(3) No person shall serve on the governing authorities of 5086
more than five start-up community schools at the same time. 5087

(4) (a) For a community school established under this 5088
chapter that is not sponsored by a school district or an 5089
educational service center, no present or former member, or 5090
immediate relative of a present or former member, of the 5091
governing authority shall be an owner, employee, or consultant 5092
of the community school's sponsor or operator, unless at least 5093
one year has elapsed since the conclusion of the person's 5094
membership on the governing authority. 5095

(b) For a community school established under this chapter 5096
that is sponsored by a school district or an educational service 5097
center, no present or former member, or immediate relative of a 5098
present or former member, of the governing authority shall: 5099

(i) Be an officer of the district board or service center 5100
governing board that serves as the community school's sponsor, 5101
unless at least one year has elapsed since the conclusion of the 5102
person's membership on the governing authority; 5103

(ii) Serve as an employee of, or a consultant for, the 5104

department, division, or section of the sponsoring district or 5105
service center that is directly responsible for sponsoring 5106
community schools, or have supervisory authority over such a 5107
department, division, or section, unless at least one year has 5108
elapsed since the conclusion of the person's membership on the 5109
governing authority. 5110

(5) The governing authority of a start-up or conversion 5111
community school may provide by resolution for the compensation 5112
of its members. However, no individual who serves on the 5113
governing authority of a start-up or conversion community school 5114
shall be compensated more than one hundred twenty-five dollars 5115
per meeting of that governing authority and no such individual 5116
shall be compensated more than a total amount of five thousand 5117
dollars per year for all governing authorities upon which the 5118
individual serves. Each member of the governing authority may be 5119
paid compensation for attendance at an approved training 5120
program, provided that such compensation shall not exceed sixty 5121
dollars a day for attendance at a training program three hours 5122
or less in length and one hundred twenty-five dollars a day for 5123
attendance at a training program longer than three hours in 5124
length. 5125

(6) No person who is the employee of a school district or 5126
educational service center shall serve on the governing 5127
authority of any community school sponsored by that school 5128
district or service center. 5129

(7) Each member of the governing authority of a community 5130
school shall annually file a disclosure statement setting forth 5131
the names of any immediate relatives or business associates 5132
employed by any of the following within the previous three 5133
years: 5134

(a) The sponsor or operator of that community school; 5135

(b) A school district or educational service center that 5136
has contracted with that community school; 5137

(c) A vendor that is or has engaged in business with that 5138
community school. 5139

(8) No person who is a member of a school district board 5140
of education shall serve on the governing authority of any 5141
community school. 5142

(F) (1) A new start-up school that is established prior to 5143
August 15, 2003, in an urban school district that is not also a 5144
big-eight school district may continue to operate after that 5145
date and the contract between the school's governing authority 5146
and the school's sponsor may be renewed, as provided under this 5147
chapter, after that date, but no additional new start-up schools 5148
may be established in such a district unless the district is a 5149
challenged school district as defined in this section as it 5150
exists on and after that date. 5151

(2) A community school that was established prior to June 5152
29, 1999, and is located in a county contiguous to the pilot 5153
project area and in a school district that is not a challenged 5154
school district may continue to operate after that date, 5155
provided the school complies with all provisions of this 5156
chapter. The contract between the school's governing authority 5157
and the school's sponsor may be renewed, but no additional 5158
start-up community school may be established in that district 5159
unless the district is a challenged school district. 5160

(3) Any educational service center that, on June 30, 2007, 5161
sponsors a community school that is not located in a county 5162
within the territory of the service center or in a county 5163

contiguous to such county may continue to sponsor that community 5164
school on and after June 30, 2007, and may renew its contract 5165
with the school. However, the educational service center shall 5166
not enter into a contract with any additional community school, 5167
unless the governing board of the service center has entered 5168
into an agreement with the department authorizing the service 5169
center to sponsor a community school in any challenged school 5170
district in the state. 5171

Sec. 3314.03. A copy of every contract entered into under 5172
this section shall be filed with the superintendent of public 5173
instruction. The department of education shall make available on 5174
its web site a copy of every approved, executed contract filed 5175
with the superintendent under this section. 5176

(A) Each contract entered into between a sponsor and the 5177
governing authority of a community school shall specify the 5178
following: 5179

(1) That the school shall be established as either of the 5180
following: 5181

(a) A nonprofit corporation established under Chapter 5182
1702. of the Revised Code, if established prior to April 8, 5183
2003; 5184

(b) A public benefit corporation established under Chapter 5185
1702. of the Revised Code, if established after April 8, 2003. 5186

(2) The education program of the school, including the 5187
school's mission, the characteristics of the students the school 5188
is expected to attract, the ages and grades of students, and the 5189
focus of the curriculum; 5190

(3) The academic goals to be achieved and the method of 5191
measurement that will be used to determine progress toward those 5192

goals, which shall include the statewide achievement	5193
assessments;	5194
(4) Performance standards, including but not limited to	5195
all applicable report card measures set forth in section 3302.03	5196
or 3314.017 of the Revised Code, by which the success of the	5197
school will be evaluated by the sponsor;	5198
(5) The admission standards of section 3314.06 of the	5199
Revised Code and, if applicable, section 3314.061 of the Revised	5200
Code;	5201
(6) (a) Dismissal procedures;	5202
(b) A requirement that the governing authority adopt an	5203
attendance policy that includes a procedure for automatically	5204
withdrawing a student from the school if the student without a	5205
legitimate excuse fails to participate in one hundred five	5206
consecutive hours of the learning opportunities offered to the	5207
student.	5208
(7) The ways by which the school will achieve racial and	5209
ethnic balance reflective of the community it serves;	5210
(8) Requirements for financial audits by the auditor of	5211
state. The contract shall require financial records of the	5212
school to be maintained in the same manner as are financial	5213
records of school districts, pursuant to rules of the auditor of	5214
state. Audits shall be conducted in accordance with section	5215
117.10 of the Revised Code.	5216
(9) An addendum to the contract outlining the facilities	5217
to be used that contains at least the following information:	5218
(a) A detailed description of each facility used for	5219
instructional purposes;	5220

(b) The annual costs associated with leasing each facility	5221
that are paid by or on behalf of the school;	5222
(c) The annual mortgage principal and interest payments	5223
that are paid by the school;	5224
(d) The name of the lender or landlord, identified as	5225
such, and the lender's or landlord's relationship to the	5226
operator, if any.	5227
(10) Qualifications of teachers, including a requirement	5228
that the school's classroom teachers be licensed in accordance	5229
with sections 3319.22 to 3319.31 of the Revised Code, except	5230
that a community school may engage noncertificated persons to	5231
teach up to twelve hours per week pursuant to section 3319.301	5232
of the Revised Code.	5233
(11) That the school will comply with the following	5234
requirements:	5235
(a) The school will provide learning opportunities to a	5236
minimum of twenty-five students for a minimum of nine hundred	5237
twenty hours per school year.	5238
(b) The governing authority will purchase liability	5239
insurance, or otherwise provide for the potential liability of	5240
the school.	5241
(c) The school will be nonsectarian in its programs,	5242
admission policies, employment practices, and all other	5243
operations, and will not be operated by a sectarian school or	5244
religious institution.	5245
(d) The school will comply with sections 9.90, 9.91,	5246
109.65, 121.22, 149.43, 2151.357, 2151.421, 2313.19, 3301.0710,	5247
3301.0711, 3301.0712, 3301.0715, 3301.0729, 3301.948, 3313.472,	5248

3313.50, 3313.536, 3313.539, 3313.5310, 3313.608, 3313.609, 5249
3313.6012, 3313.6013, 3313.6014, 3313.6015, 3313.6020, 3313.643, 5250
3313.648, 3313.6411, 3313.66, 3313.661, 3313.662, 3313.666, 5251
3313.667, 3313.668, 3313.67, 3313.671, 3313.672, 3313.673, 5252
3313.69, 3313.71, 3313.716, 3313.718, 3313.719, 3313.7112, 5253
3313.721, 3313.80, 3313.814, 3313.816, 3313.817, 3313.86, 5254
3313.89, 3313.96, 3319.073, 3319.321, 3319.39, 3319.391, 5255
3319.41, 3319.46, 3321.01, 3321.041, 3321.13, 3321.14, 3321.17, 5256
3321.18, 3321.19, 3321.191, 3327.10, 4111.17, 4113.52, and 5257
5705.391 and Chapters 117., 1347., 2744., 3365., 3742., 4112., 5258
4123., 4141., and 4167. of the Revised Code as if it were a 5259
school district and will comply with section 3301.0714 of the 5260
Revised Code in the manner specified in section 3314.17 of the 5261
Revised Code. 5262

(e) The school shall comply with Chapter 102. and section 5263
2921.42 of the Revised Code. 5264

(f) The school will comply with sections 3313.61, 5265
3313.611, and 3313.614 of the Revised Code, except that for 5266
students who enter ninth grade for the first time before July 1, 5267
2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 and 3313.611 of the 5268
Revised Code that a person must successfully complete the 5269
curriculum in any high school prior to receiving a high school 5270
diploma may be met by completing the curriculum adopted by the 5271
governing authority of the community school rather than the 5272
curriculum specified in Title XXXIII of the Revised Code or any 5273
rules of the state board of education. Beginning with students 5274
who enter ninth grade for the first time on or after July 1, 5275
2010, the requirement in sections 3313.61 and 3313.611 of the 5276
Revised Code that a person must successfully complete the 5277
curriculum of a high school prior to receiving a high school 5278
diploma shall be met by completing the requirements prescribed 5279

in division (C) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code, unless 5280
the person qualifies under division (D) or (F) of that section. 5281
Each school shall comply with the plan for awarding high school 5282
credit based on demonstration of subject area competency, and 5283
beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, with the updated plan 5284
that permits students enrolled in seventh and eighth grade to 5285
meet curriculum requirements based on subject area competency 5286
adopted by the state board of education under divisions (J) (1) 5287
and (2) of section 3313.603 of the Revised Code. Beginning with 5288
the 2018-2019 school year, the school shall comply with the 5289
framework for granting units of high school credit to students 5290
who demonstrate subject area competency through work-based 5291
learning experiences, internships, or cooperative education 5292
developed by the department under division (J) (3) of section 5293
3313.603 of the Revised Code. 5294

(g) The school governing authority will submit within four 5295
months after the end of each school year a report of its 5296
activities and progress in meeting the goals and standards of 5297
divisions (A) (3) and (4) of this section and its financial 5298
status to the sponsor and the parents of all students enrolled 5299
in the school. 5300

(h) The school, unless it is an internet- or computer- 5301
based community school, will comply with section 3313.801 of the 5302
Revised Code as if it were a school district. 5303

(i) If the school is the recipient of moneys from a grant 5304
awarded under the federal race to the top program, Division (A), 5305
Title XIV, Sections 14005 and 14006 of the "American Recovery 5306
and Reinvestment Act of 2009," Pub. L. No. 111-5, 123 Stat. 115, 5307
the school will pay teachers based upon performance in 5308
accordance with section 3317.141 and will comply with section 5309

3319.111 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district. 5310

(j) If the school operates a preschool program that is 5311
licensed by the department of education under sections 3301.52 5312
to 3301.59 of the Revised Code, the school shall comply with 5313
sections 3301.50 to 3301.59 of the Revised Code and the minimum 5314
standards for preschool programs prescribed in rules adopted by 5315
the state board under section 3301.53 of the Revised Code. 5316

(k) The school will comply with sections 3313.6021 and 5317
3313.6023 of the Revised Code as if it were a school district 5318
unless it is either of the following: 5319

(i) An internet- or computer-based community school; 5320

(ii) A community school in which a majority of the 5321
enrolled students are children with disabilities as described in 5322
division (A) ~~(4)~~ (2)(b) of section 3314.35 of the Revised Code. 5323

(12) Arrangements for providing health and other benefits 5324
to employees; 5325

(13) The length of the contract, which shall begin at the 5326
beginning of an academic year. No contract shall exceed five 5327
years unless such contract has been renewed pursuant to division 5328
(E) of this section. 5329

(14) The governing authority of the school, which shall be 5330
responsible for carrying out the provisions of the contract; 5331

(15) A financial plan detailing an estimated school budget 5332
for each year of the period of the contract and specifying the 5333
total estimated per pupil expenditure amount for each such year. 5334

(16) Requirements and procedures regarding the disposition 5335
of employees of the school in the event the contract is 5336
terminated or not renewed pursuant to section 3314.07 of the 5337

Revised Code;	5338
(17) Whether the school is to be created by converting all	5339
or part of an existing public school or educational service	5340
center building or is to be a new start-up school, and if it is	5341
a converted public school or service center building,	5342
specification of any duties or responsibilities of an employer	5343
that the board of education or service center governing board	5344
that operated the school or building before conversion is	5345
delegating to the governing authority of the community school	5346
with respect to all or any specified group of employees provided	5347
the delegation is not prohibited by a collective bargaining	5348
agreement applicable to such employees;	5349
(18) Provisions establishing procedures for resolving	5350
disputes or differences of opinion between the sponsor and the	5351
governing authority of the community school;	5352
(19) A provision requiring the governing authority to	5353
adopt a policy regarding the admission of students who reside	5354
outside the district in which the school is located. That policy	5355
shall comply with the admissions procedures specified in	5356
sections 3314.06 and 3314.061 of the Revised Code and, at the	5357
sole discretion of the authority, shall do one of the following:	5358
(a) Prohibit the enrollment of students who reside outside	5359
the district in which the school is located;	5360
(b) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in	5361
districts adjacent to the district in which the school is	5362
located;	5363
(c) Permit the enrollment of students who reside in any	5364
other district in the state.	5365
(20) A provision recognizing the authority of the	5366

department of education to take over the sponsorship of the 5367
school in accordance with the provisions of division (C) of 5368
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code; 5369

(21) A provision recognizing the sponsor's authority to 5370
assume the operation of a school under the conditions specified 5371
in division (B) of section 3314.073 of the Revised Code; 5372

(22) A provision recognizing both of the following: 5373

(a) The authority of public health and safety officials to 5374
inspect the facilities of the school and to order the facilities 5375
closed if those officials find that the facilities are not in 5376
compliance with health and safety laws and regulations; 5377

(b) The authority of the department of education as the 5378
community school oversight body to suspend the operation of the 5379
school under section 3314.072 of the Revised Code if the 5380
department has evidence of conditions or violations of law at 5381
the school that pose an imminent danger to the health and safety 5382
of the school's students and employees and the sponsor refuses 5383
to take such action. 5384

(23) A description of the learning opportunities that will 5385
be offered to students including both classroom-based and non- 5386
classroom-based learning opportunities that is in compliance 5387
with criteria for student participation established by the 5388
department under division (H) (2) of section 3314.08 of the 5389
Revised Code; 5390

(24) The school will comply with sections 3302.04 and 5391
3302.041 of the Revised Code, except that any action required to 5392
be taken by a school district pursuant to those sections shall 5393
be taken by the sponsor of the school. However, the sponsor 5394
shall not be required to take any action described in division 5395

(F) of section 3302.04 of the Revised Code. 5396

(25) Beginning in the 2006-2007 school year, the school 5397
will open for operation not later than the thirtieth day of 5398
September each school year, unless the mission of the school as 5399
specified under division (A) (2) of this section is solely to 5400
serve dropouts. In its initial year of operation, if the school 5401
fails to open by the thirtieth day of September, or within one 5402
year after the adoption of the contract pursuant to division (D) 5403
of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code if the mission of the 5404
school is solely to serve dropouts, the contract shall be void. 5405

(26) Whether the school's governing authority is planning 5406
to seek designation for the school as a STEM school equivalent 5407
under section 3326.032 of the Revised Code; 5408

(27) That the school's attendance and participation 5409
policies will be available for public inspection; 5410

(28) That the school's attendance and participation 5411
records shall be made available to the department of education, 5412
auditor of state, and school's sponsor to the extent permitted 5413
under and in accordance with the "Family Educational Rights and 5414
Privacy Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232g, as amended, 5415
and any regulations promulgated under that act, and section 5416
3319.321 of the Revised Code; 5417

(29) If a school operates using the blended learning 5418
model, as defined in section 3301.079 of the Revised Code, all 5419
of the following information: 5420

(a) An indication of what blended learning model or models 5421
will be used; 5422

(b) A description of how student instructional needs will 5423
be determined and documented; 5424

(c) The method to be used for determining competency,	5425
granting credit, and promoting students to a higher grade level;	5426
(d) The school's attendance requirements, including how	5427
the school will document participation in learning	5428
opportunities;	5429
(e) A statement describing how student progress will be	5430
monitored;	5431
(f) A statement describing how private student data will	5432
be protected;	5433
(g) A description of the professional development	5434
activities that will be offered to teachers.	5435
(30) A provision requiring that all moneys the school's	5436
operator loans to the school, including facilities loans or cash	5437
flow assistance, must be accounted for, documented, and bear	5438
interest at a fair market rate;	5439
(31) A provision requiring that, if the governing	5440
authority contracts with an attorney, accountant, or entity	5441
specializing in audits, the attorney, accountant, or entity	5442
shall be independent from the operator with which the school has	5443
contracted.	5444
(B) The community school shall also submit to the sponsor	5445
a comprehensive plan for the school. The plan shall specify the	5446
following:	5447
(1) The process by which the governing authority of the	5448
school will be selected in the future;	5449
(2) The management and administration of the school;	5450
(3) If the community school is a currently existing public	5451

school or educational service center building, alternative 5452
arrangements for current public school students who choose not 5453
to attend the converted school and for teachers who choose not 5454
to teach in the school or building after conversion; 5455

(4) The instructional program and educational philosophy 5456
of the school; 5457

(5) Internal financial controls. 5458

When submitting the plan under this division, the school 5459
shall also submit copies of all policies and procedures 5460
regarding internal financial controls adopted by the governing 5461
authority of the school. 5462

(C) A contract entered into under section 3314.02 of the 5463
Revised Code between a sponsor and the governing authority of a 5464
community school may provide for the community school governing 5465
authority to make payments to the sponsor, which is hereby 5466
authorized to receive such payments as set forth in the contract 5467
between the governing authority and the sponsor. The total 5468
amount of such payments for monitoring, oversight, and technical 5469
assistance of the school shall not exceed three per cent of the 5470
total amount of payments for operating expenses that the school 5471
receives from the state. 5472

(D) The contract shall specify the duties of the sponsor 5473
which shall be in accordance with the written agreement entered 5474
into with the department of education under division (B) of 5475
section 3314.015 of the Revised Code and shall include the 5476
following: 5477

(1) Monitor the community school's compliance with all 5478
laws applicable to the school and with the terms of the 5479
contract; 5480

(2) Monitor and evaluate the academic and fiscal 5481
performance and the organization and operation of the community 5482
school on at least an annual basis; 5483

(3) Report on an annual basis the results of the 5484
evaluation conducted under division (D) (2) of this section to 5485
the department of education and to the parents of students 5486
enrolled in the community school; 5487

(4) Provide technical assistance to the community school 5488
in complying with laws applicable to the school and terms of the 5489
contract; 5490

(5) Take steps to intervene in the school's operation to 5491
correct problems in the school's overall performance, declare 5492
the school to be on probationary status pursuant to section 5493
3314.073 of the Revised Code, suspend the operation of the 5494
school pursuant to section 3314.072 of the Revised Code, or 5495
terminate the contract of the school pursuant to section 3314.07 5496
of the Revised Code as determined necessary by the sponsor; 5497

(6) Have in place a plan of action to be undertaken in the 5498
event the community school experiences financial difficulties or 5499
closes prior to the end of a school year. 5500

(E) Upon the expiration of a contract entered into under 5501
this section, the sponsor of a community school may, with the 5502
approval of the governing authority of the school, renew that 5503
contract for a period of time determined by the sponsor, but not 5504
ending earlier than the end of any school year, if the sponsor 5505
finds that the school's compliance with applicable laws and 5506
terms of the contract and the school's progress in meeting the 5507
academic goals prescribed in the contract have been 5508
satisfactory. Any contract that is renewed under this division 5509

remains subject to the provisions of sections 3314.07, 3314.072, 5510
and 3314.073 of the Revised Code. 5511

(F) If a community school fails to open for operation 5512
within one year after the contract entered into under this 5513
section is adopted pursuant to division (D) of section 3314.02 5514
of the Revised Code or permanently closes prior to the 5515
expiration of the contract, the contract shall be void and the 5516
school shall not enter into a contract with any other sponsor. A 5517
school shall not be considered permanently closed because the 5518
operations of the school have been suspended pursuant to section 5519
3314.072 of the Revised Code. 5520

Sec. 3314.034. (A) Subject to division (B) of this 5521
section, any community school to which either of the following 5522
conditions apply shall be prohibited from entering into a 5523
contract with a new sponsor: 5524

(1) The community school has received a grade of "D" or 5525
"F" for the performance index score, under division (C) (1) (b) of 5526
section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code, and an overall 5527
grade of "D" or "F" for the value-added progress dimension or 5528
another measure of student academic progress if adopted by the 5529
state board of education, under division (C) (1) (e) of that 5530
section, on the most recent report card issued for the school 5531
pursuant to that section. 5532

(2) The community school is one in which a majority of the 5533
students are enrolled in a dropout prevention and recovery 5534
program, and it has received a rating of "does not meet 5535
standards" for the annual student growth measure and combined 5536
graduation rates on the most recent report card issued for the 5537
school under section 3314.017 of the Revised Code. 5538

(B) A community school to which division (A) of this 5539
section applies may enter into a contract with a new sponsor if 5540
all of the following conditions are satisfied: 5541

(1) The proposed sponsor received a rating of "effective" 5542
or higher pursuant to division (B) (6) of section 3314.016 of the 5543
Revised Code on its most recent evaluation conducted according 5544
to that section, or the proposed sponsor is the office of Ohio 5545
school sponsorship established in section 3314.029 of the 5546
Revised Code. 5547

(2) The community school submits a request to enter into a 5548
new contract with a sponsor. 5549

(3) The community school has not submitted a prior request 5550
that was granted. 5551

(4) The department grants the school's request pursuant to 5552
division (C) of this section. 5553

(C) A school shall submit a request to change sponsors 5554
under this section not later than on the fifteenth day of 5555
February of the year in which the school wishes to do so. The 5556
department shall grant or deny the request not later than thirty 5557
days after the department receives it. If the department denies 5558
the request, the community school may submit an appeal to the 5559
state board of education, which shall hold a hearing in 5560
accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code. The community 5561
school shall file its notice of appeal to the state board not 5562
later than ten days after receiving the decision from the 5563
department. The state board shall conduct the hearing not later 5564
than thirty days after receiving the school's notice of appeal 5565
and act upon the determination of the hearing officer not later 5566
than the twenty-fifth day of June of the year in which the 5567

school wishes to change sponsors. 5568

(D) Factors to be considered during a hearing held 5569
pursuant to division (C) of this section include, but are not 5570
limited to, the following: 5571

(1) The school's impact on the students and the community 5572
or communities it serves; 5573

(2) The quality and quantity of academic and 5574
administrative support the school receives from its current 5575
sponsor to help the school to improve; 5576

(3) The sponsor's annual evaluations of the community 5577
school under division (D) (2) of section 3314.03 of the Revised 5578
Code for the previous three years; 5579

(4) The academic performance of the school, taking into 5580
account the demographic information of the students enrolled in 5581
the school; 5582

(5) The academic performance of alternative schools that 5583
serve comparable populations of students as those served by the 5584
community school; 5585

(6) The fiscal stability of the school; 5586

(7) The results of any audits of the school by the auditor 5587
of state; 5588

(8) The length of time the school has been under the 5589
oversight of its current sponsor; 5590

(9) The number of times the school has changed sponsors 5591
prior to the current request; 5592

(10) Parent and student satisfaction rates as demonstrated 5593
by surveys, if available. 5594

Sec. 3314.05. (A) The contract between the community 5595
school and the sponsor shall specify the facilities to be used 5596
for the community school and the method of acquisition. Except 5597
as provided in divisions (B) (3) and (4) of this section, no 5598
community school shall be established in more than one school 5599
district under the same contract. 5600

(B) Division (B) of this section shall not apply to 5601
internet- or computer-based community schools. 5602

(1) A community school may be located in multiple 5603
facilities under the same contract only if the limitations on 5604
availability of space prohibit serving all the grade levels 5605
specified in the contract in a single facility or division (B) 5606
(2), (3), or (4) of this section applies to the school. The 5607
school shall not offer the same grade level classrooms in more 5608
than one facility. 5609

(2) A community school may be located in multiple 5610
facilities under the same contract and, notwithstanding division 5611
(B) (1) of this section, may assign students in the same grade 5612
level to multiple facilities, as long as all of the following 5613
apply: 5614

(a) The governing authority has entered into and maintains 5615
a contract with an operator of the type described in division 5616
(A) (8) (b) of section 3314.02 of the Revised Code. 5617

(b) The contract with that operator qualified the school 5618
to be established pursuant to division (A) of former section 5619
3314.016 of the Revised Code. 5620

(c) The school's rating under section 3302.03 or 3302.032 5621
of the Revised Code does not fall below a combination of any of 5622
the following for two or more consecutive years: 5623

(i) A rating of "in need of continuous improvement" under
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as that section existed
prior to March 22, 2013;

(ii) For the 2012-2013, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, and 2015-
2016 school years, a rating of "C" for both the performance
index score under division (A) (1) (b) or (B) (1) (b) and the value-
added dimension under division (A) (1) (e) or (B) (1) (e) of section
3302.03 of the Revised Code as that section existed prior to the
effective date of this amendment; or if the building serves only
grades ten through twelve, the building received a grade of "C"
for the performance index score under division (A) (1) (b) or (B)
(1) (b) of that section 3302.03 of the Revised Code;

(iii) For the 2016-2017 school year and for any school
year thereafter, an overall grade of "C" under division (C) (3)
of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to
the effective date of this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the
Revised Code or an overall performance designation of "meets
standards" under division (E) (3) (e) of section 3314.017 of the
Revised Code.

(3) A new start-up community school may be established in
two school districts under the same contract if all of the
following apply:

(a) At least one of the school districts in which the
school is established is a challenged school district;

(b) The school operates not more than one facility in each
school district and, in accordance with division (B) (1) of this
section, the school does not offer the same grade level
classrooms in both facilities; and

(c) Transportation between the two facilities does not

require more than thirty minutes of direct travel time as 5653
measured by school bus. 5654

In the case of a community school to which division (B) (3) 5655
of this section applies, if only one of the school districts in 5656
which the school is established is a challenged school district, 5657
that district shall be considered the school's primary location 5658
and the district in which the school is located for the purposes 5659
of division (A) (19) of section 3314.03 and divisions (C) and (H) 5660
of section 3314.06 of the Revised Code and for all other 5661
purposes of this chapter. If both of the school districts in 5662
which the school is established are challenged school districts, 5663
the school's governing authority shall designate one of those 5664
districts to be considered the school's primary location and the 5665
district in which the school is located for the purposes of 5666
those divisions and all other purposes of this chapter and shall 5667
notify the department of education of that designation. 5668

(4) A community school may be located in multiple 5669
facilities under the same contract and, notwithstanding division 5670
(B) (1) of this section, may assign students in the same grade 5671
level to multiple facilities, as long as both of the following 5672
apply: 5673

(a) The facilities are all located in the same county. 5674

(b) Either of the following conditions are satisfied: 5675

(i) The community school is sponsored by a board of 5676
education of a city, local, or exempted village school district 5677
having territory in the same county where the facilities of the 5678
community school are located; 5679

(ii) The community school is managed by an operator. 5680

In the case of a community school to which division (B) (4) 5681

of this section applies and that maintains facilities in more 5682
than one school district, the school's governing authority shall 5683
designate one of those districts to be considered the school's 5684
primary location and the district in which the school is located 5685
for the purposes of division (A) (19) of section 3314.03 and 5686
divisions (C) and (H) of section 3314.06 of the Revised Code and 5687
for all other purposes of this chapter and shall notify the 5688
department of that designation. 5689

(5) Any facility used for a community school shall meet 5690
all health and safety standards established by law for school 5691
buildings. 5692

(C) In the case where a community school is proposed to be 5693
located in a facility owned by a school district or educational 5694
service center, the facility may not be used for such community 5695
school unless the district or service center board owning the 5696
facility enters into an agreement for the community school to 5697
utilize the facility. Use of the facility may be under any terms 5698
and conditions agreed to by the district or service center board 5699
and the school. 5700

(D) Two or more separate community schools may be located 5701
in the same facility. 5702

(E) In the case of a community school that is located in 5703
multiple facilities, beginning July 1, 2012, the department 5704
shall assign a unique identification number to the school and to 5705
each facility maintained by the school. Each number shall be 5706
used for identification purposes only. Nothing in this division 5707
shall be construed to require the department to calculate the 5708
amount of funds paid under this chapter, or to compute any data 5709
required for the report cards issued under section 3314.012 of 5710
the Revised Code, for each facility separately. The department 5711

shall make all such calculations or computations for the school 5712
as a whole. 5713

Sec. 3314.085. (A) For purposes of this section: 5714

(1) "Formula amount" has the same meaning as in section 5715
3317.02 of the Revised Code. 5716

(2) "Four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" has the 5717
same meaning as in section 3302.01 of the Revised Code. 5718

(3) A community school's "third-grade reading proficiency 5719
percentage" means the percentage of the school's students 5720
scoring at a proficient level of skill or higher on the third- 5721
grade English language arts assessment prescribed under division 5722
(A) (1) (a) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code for the 5723
immediately preceding school year, as reported on the school's 5724
report card under section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code. 5725

(B) In addition to the payments made under section 3314.08 5726
of the Revised Code, the department of education shall annually 5727
pay to each community school both of the following: 5728

(1) A graduation bonus calculated according to the 5729
following formula: 5730

The school's four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate on its 5731
most recent report card issued by the department under section 5732
3302.03 or 3314.017 of the Revised Code X 0.075 X the formula 5733
amount X the number of the school's graduates reported to the 5734
department, in accordance with the guidelines adopted under 5735
section 3301.0714 of the Revised Code, for the same school year 5736
for which the most recent report card was issued 5737

(2) A third-grade reading bonus calculated according to 5738
the following formula: 5739

The school's third-grade reading proficiency percentage X 0.075 5740
X the formula amount X the number of the school's students 5741
scoring at a proficient level or higher on the third-grade 5742
English language arts assessment prescribed under division (A) 5743
(1) (a) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code for the 5744
immediately preceding school year 5745

~~Sec. 3314.35. (A) (1) Except as provided in division (A) (4) of this section, this section applies to any community school that meets one of the following criteria after July 1, 2009, but before July 1, 2011:~~ 5746
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~~(a) The school does not offer a grade level higher than three and has been declared to be in a state of academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for three of the four most recent school years.~~ 5750
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~~(b) The school satisfies all of the following conditions:~~ 5754

~~(i) The school offers any of grade levels four to eight but does not offer a grade level higher than nine.~~ 5755
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~~(ii) The school has been declared to be in a state of academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for two of the three most recent school years.~~ 5757
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~~(iii) In at least two of the three most recent school years, the school showed less than one standard year of academic growth in either reading or mathematics, as determined by the department of education in accordance with rules adopted under division (A) of section 3302.021 of the Revised Code.~~ 5760
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~~(c) The school offers any of grade levels ten to twelve and has been declared to be in a state of academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for three of the four most recent school years.~~ 5765
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~~(2) Except as provided in division (A) (4) of this section,~~ 5769
~~this section applies to any community school that meets one of~~ 5770
~~the following criteria after July 1, 2011, but before July 1,~~ 5771
~~2013.~~ 5772

~~(a) The school does not offer a grade level higher than~~ 5773
~~three and has been declared to be in a state of academic~~ 5774
~~emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for two of~~ 5775
~~the three most recent school years.~~ 5776

~~(b) The school satisfies all of the following conditions:~~ 5777

~~(i) The school offers any of grade levels four to eight~~ 5778
~~but does not offer a grade level higher than nine.~~ 5779

~~(ii) The school has been declared to be in a state of~~ 5780
~~academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for~~ 5781
~~two of the three most recent school years.~~ 5782

~~(iii) In at least two of the three most recent school~~ 5783
~~years, the school showed less than one standard year of academic~~ 5784
~~growth in either reading or mathematics, as determined by the~~ 5785
~~department in accordance with rules adopted under division (A)~~ 5786
~~of section 3302.021 of the Revised Code.~~ 5787

~~(c) The school offers any of grade levels ten to twelve~~ 5788
~~and has been declared to be in a state of academic emergency~~ 5789
~~under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code for two of the three~~ 5790
~~most recent school years.~~ 5791

~~(3) Except as provided in division (A) (4) (2) of this~~ 5792
~~section, this section applies to any community school that meets~~ 5793
~~one of the following criteria on or after July 1, 2013:~~ 5794

~~(a) The school does not offer a grade level higher than~~ 5795
~~three and, for two of the three most recent school years,~~ 5796

satisfies any of the following criteria: 5797

(i) The school has been declared to be in a state of 5798
academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 5799
it existed prior to March 22, 2013; 5800

(ii) The school has received a grade of "F" in improving 5801
literacy in grades kindergarten through three under division (B) 5802
(1) (g) or (C) (1) (g) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 5803
it existed prior to the effective date of this amendment, or 5804
section 3302.032 of the Revised Code; 5805

(iii) The school has received an overall grade of "F" 5806
under division (C) of section 3302.03 or 3302.032 of the Revised 5807
Code. 5808

(b) The school offers any of grade levels four to eight 5809
but does not offer a grade level higher than nine and, for two 5810
of the three most recent school years, satisfies any of the 5811
following criteria: 5812

(i) The school has been declared to be in a state of 5813
academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 5814
it existed prior to March 22, 2013, and the school showed less 5815
than one standard year of academic growth in either reading or 5816
mathematics, as determined by the department in accordance with 5817
rules adopted under division (A) of section 3302.021 of the 5818
Revised Code; 5819

(ii) The school has received a grade of "F" for the 5820
performance index score under division (A) (1) (b), (B) (1) (b), or 5821
(C) (1) (b) and a grade of "F" for the value-added progress 5822
dimension under division (A) (1) (e), (B) (1) (e), or (C) (1) (e) of 5823
section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the 5824
effective date of this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the 5825

Revised Code; 5826

(iii) The school has received an overall grade of "F" 5827
under division (C) and a grade of "F" for the value-added 5828
progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of section 3302.03 5829
or 3302.032 of the Revised Code. 5830

(c) The school offers any of grade levels ten to twelve 5831
and, for two of the three most recent school years, satisfies 5832
any of the following criteria: 5833

(i) The school has been declared to be in a state of 5834
academic emergency under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code, as 5835
it existed prior to March 22, 2013; 5836

(ii) The school has received a grade of "F" for the 5837
performance index score under division (A) (1) (b), (B) (1) (b), or 5838
(C) (1) (b) and has not met annual measurable objectives under 5839
division (A) (1) (a), (B) (1) (a), or (C) (1) (a) of section 3302.03 5840
of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date 5841
of this amendment, or section 3302.032 of the Revised Code; 5842

(iii) The school has received an overall grade of "F" 5843
under division (C) and a grade of "F" for the value-added 5844
progress dimension under division (C) (1) (e) of section 3302.03 5845
or 3302.032 of the Revised Code. 5846

For purposes of division (A) ~~(3)~~ (1) of this section only, 5847
the department of education shall calculate the value-added 5848
progress dimension for a community school using assessment 5849
scores for only those students to whom the school has 5850
administered the achievement assessments prescribed by section 5851
3301.0710 of the Revised Code for at least the two most recent 5852
school years but using value-added data from only the most 5853
recent school year. 5854

~~(4)~~-(2) This section does not apply to either of the 5855
following: 5856

(a) Any community school in which a majority of the 5857
students are enrolled in a dropout prevention and recovery 5858
program that is operated by the school. Rather, such schools 5859
shall be subject to closure only as provided in section 3314.351 5860
of the Revised Code. However, prior to July 1, 2014, a community 5861
school in which a majority of the students are enrolled in a 5862
dropout prevention and recovery program shall be exempt from 5863
this section only if it has been granted a waiver under section 5864
3314.36 of the Revised Code. 5865

(b) Any community school in which a majority of the 5866
enrolled students are children with disabilities receiving 5867
special education and related services in accordance with 5868
Chapter 3323. of the Revised Code. 5869

(B) Any community school to which this section applies 5870
shall permanently close at the conclusion of the school year in 5871
which the school first becomes subject to this section. The 5872
sponsor and governing authority of the school shall comply with 5873
all procedures for closing a community school adopted by the 5874
department under division (E) of section 3314.015 of the Revised 5875
Code. The governing authority of the school shall not enter into 5876
a contract with any other sponsor under section 3314.03 of the 5877
Revised Code after the school closes. 5878

(C) In accordance with division (B) of section 3314.012 of 5879
the Revised Code, the department shall not consider the 5880
performance ratings assigned to a community school for its first 5881
two years of operation when determining whether the school meets 5882
the criteria prescribed by division (A) (1) or (2) of this 5883
section. 5884

(D) Nothing in this section or in any other provision of 5885
the Revised Code prohibits the sponsor of a community school 5886
from exercising its option not to renew a contract for any 5887
reason or from terminating a contract prior to its expiration 5888
for any of the reasons set forth in section 3314.07 of the 5889
Revised Code. 5890

Sec. 3317.0216. (A) For purposes of this section, a city, 5891
local, or exempted village school district's "third-grade 5892
reading proficiency percentage" means the percentage of the 5893
district's students scoring at a proficient level of skill or 5894
higher on the third-grade English language arts assessment 5895
prescribed under division (A) (1) (a) of section 3301.0710 of the 5896
Revised Code for the immediately preceding school year, as 5897
reported on the district's report card under section ~~3302.03~~ 5898
3302.032 of the Revised Code. 5899

(B) The department of education shall annually calculate a 5900
third-grade reading bonus for each city, local, and exempted 5901
village school district according to the following formula: 5902

The district's third-grade reading proficiency percentage X 5903
 $0.075 \times$ the formula amount X the number of the district's 5904
students scoring at a proficient level of skill or higher on the 5905
third-grade English language arts assessment prescribed under 5906
division (A) (1) (a) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code for 5907
the immediately preceding school year X the district's state 5908
share index 5909

Sec. 3319.111. Notwithstanding section 3319.09 of the 5910
Revised Code, this section applies to any person who is employed 5911
under a teacher license issued under this chapter, or under a 5912
professional or permanent teacher's certificate issued under 5913
former section 3319.222 of the Revised Code, and who spends at 5914

least fifty per cent of the time employed providing student 5915
instruction. However, this section does not apply to any person 5916
who is employed as a substitute teacher or as an instructor of 5917
adult education. 5918

(A) Not later than July 1, 2013, the board of education of 5919
each school district, in consultation with teachers employed by 5920
the board, shall adopt a standards-based teacher evaluation 5921
policy that conforms with the framework for evaluation of 5922
teachers developed under section 3319.112 of the Revised Code. 5923
The policy shall become operative at the expiration of any 5924
collective bargaining agreement covering teachers employed by 5925
the board that is in effect on September 29, 2011, and shall be 5926
included in any renewal or extension of such an agreement. 5927

(B) When using measures of student academic growth as a 5928
component of a teacher's evaluation, those measures shall 5929
include the value-added progress dimension prescribed by section 5930
3302.021 of the Revised Code or an alternative student academic 5931
progress measure if adopted under division (C) (1) (e) of section 5932
~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code. For teachers of grade 5933
levels and subjects for which the value-added progress dimension 5934
or alternative student academic progress measure is not 5935
applicable, the board shall administer assessments on the list 5936
developed under division (B) (2) of section 3319.112 of the 5937
Revised Code. 5938

(C) (1) The board shall conduct an evaluation of each 5939
teacher employed by the board at least once each school year, 5940
except as provided in division (C) (2) of this section. The 5941
evaluation shall be completed by the first day of May and the 5942
teacher shall receive a written report of the results of the 5943
evaluation by the tenth day of May. 5944

(2) (a) The board may evaluate each teacher who received a rating of accomplished on the teacher's most recent evaluation conducted under this section once every three school years, so long as the teacher's student academic growth measure, for the most recent school year for which data is available, is average or higher, as determined by the department of education.

(b) The board may evaluate each teacher who received a rating of skilled on the teacher's most recent evaluation conducted under this section once every two years, so long as the teacher's student academic growth measure, for the most recent school year for which data is available, is average or higher, as determined by the department of education.

(c) For each teacher who is evaluated pursuant to division (C) (2) of this section, the evaluation shall be completed by the first day of May of the applicable school year, and the teacher shall receive a written report of the results of the evaluation by the tenth day of May of that school year.

(d) Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, the board may elect not to conduct an evaluation of a teacher who meets one of the following requirements:

(i) The teacher was on leave from the school district for fifty per cent or more of the school year, as calculated by the board.

(ii) The teacher has submitted notice of retirement and that notice has been accepted by the board not later than the first day of December of the school year in which the evaluation is otherwise scheduled to be conducted.

(e) Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the board may elect not to conduct an evaluation of a teacher who is

participating in the teacher residency program established under 5974
section 3319.223 of the Revised Code for the year during which 5975
that teacher takes, for the first time, at least half of the 5976
performance-based assessment prescribed by the state board of 5977
education for resident educators. 5978

(3) In any year that a teacher is not formally evaluated 5979
pursuant to division (C) of this section as a result of 5980
receiving a rating of accomplished or skilled on the teacher's 5981
most recent evaluation, an individual qualified to evaluate a 5982
teacher under division (D) of this section shall conduct at 5983
least one observation of the teacher and hold at least one 5984
conference with the teacher. 5985

(D) Each evaluation conducted pursuant to this section 5986
shall be conducted by one or more of the following persons who 5987
hold a credential established by the department of education for 5988
being an evaluator; 5989

(1) A person who is under contract with the board pursuant 5990
to section 3319.01 or 3319.02 of the Revised Code and holds a 5991
license designated for being a superintendent, assistant 5992
superintendent, or principal issued under section 3319.22 of the 5993
Revised Code; 5994

(2) A person who is under contract with the board pursuant 5995
to section 3319.02 of the Revised Code and holds a license 5996
designated for being a vocational director, administrative 5997
specialist, or supervisor in any educational area issued under 5998
section 3319.22 of the Revised Code; 5999

(3) A person designated to conduct evaluations under an 6000
agreement entered into by the board, including an agreement 6001
providing for peer review entered into by the board and 6002

representatives of teachers employed by the board; 6003

(4) A person who is employed by an entity contracted by 6004
the board to conduct evaluations and who holds a license 6005
designated for being a superintendent, assistant superintendent, 6006
principal, vocational director, administrative specialist, or 6007
supervisor in any educational area issued under section 3319.22 6008
of the Revised Code or is qualified to conduct evaluations. 6009

(E) Notwithstanding division (A) (3) of section 3319.112 of 6010
the Revised Code: 6011

(1) The board shall require at least three formal 6012
observations of each teacher who is under consideration for 6013
nonrenewal and with whom the board has entered into a limited 6014
contract or an extended limited contract under section 3319.11 6015
of the Revised Code. 6016

(2) The board may elect, by adoption of a resolution, to 6017
require only one formal observation of a teacher who received a 6018
rating of accomplished on the teacher's most recent evaluation 6019
conducted under this section, provided the teacher completes a 6020
project that has been approved by the board to demonstrate the 6021
teacher's continued growth and practice at the accomplished 6022
level. 6023

(F) The board shall include in its evaluation policy 6024
procedures for using the evaluation results for retention and 6025
promotion decisions and for removal of poorly performing 6026
teachers. Seniority shall not be the basis for a decision to 6027
retain a teacher, except when making a decision between teachers 6028
who have comparable evaluations. 6029

(G) For purposes of section 3333.0411 of the Revised Code, 6030
the board annually shall report to the department of education 6031

the number of teachers for whom an evaluation was conducted 6032
under this section and the number of teachers assigned each 6033
rating prescribed under division (B) (1) of section 3319.112 of 6034
the Revised Code, aggregated by the teacher preparation programs 6035
from which and the years in which the teachers graduated. The 6036
department shall establish guidelines for reporting the 6037
information required by this division. The guidelines shall not 6038
permit or require that the name of, or any other personally 6039
identifiable information about, any teacher be reported under 6040
this division. 6041

(H) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in 6042
Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, the requirements of this 6043
section prevail over any conflicting provisions of a collective 6044
bargaining agreement entered into on or after September 24, 6045
2012. 6046

Sec. 3319.112. (A) Not later than December 31, 2011, the 6047
state board of education shall develop a standards-based state 6048
framework for the evaluation of teachers. The state board may 6049
update the framework periodically by adoption of a resolution. 6050
The framework shall establish an evaluation system that does the 6051
following: 6052

(1) Provides for multiple evaluation factors. One factor 6053
shall be student academic growth which shall account for fifty 6054
per cent of each evaluation, except as otherwise prescribed by 6055
the alternative framework under section 3319.114 of the Revised 6056
Code. When applicable to the grade level or subject area taught 6057
by a teacher, the value-added progress dimension established 6058
under section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or an alternative 6059
student academic progress measure if adopted under division (C) 6060
(1) (e) of section ~~3302.03~~3302.032 of the Revised Code shall be 6061

used in the student academic growth portion of an evaluation in 6062
proportion to the part of a teacher's schedule of courses or 6063
subjects for which the value-added progress dimension is 6064
applicable. 6065

If a teacher's schedule is comprised only of courses or 6066
subjects for which the value-added progress dimension is 6067
applicable, one of the following applies: 6068

(a) Beginning with March 22, 2013, until June 30, 2014, 6069
the majority of the student academic growth factor of the 6070
evaluation shall be based on the value-added progress dimension. 6071

(b) On or after July 1, 2014, the entire student academic 6072
growth factor of the evaluation shall be based on the value- 6073
added progress dimension. In calculating student academic growth 6074
for an evaluation, a student shall not be included if the 6075
student has forty-five or more excused or unexcused absences 6076
during the full academic year. 6077

(2) Is aligned with the standards for teachers adopted 6078
under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code; 6079

(3) Requires observation of the teacher being evaluated, 6080
including at least two formal observations by the evaluator of 6081
at least thirty minutes each and classroom walkthroughs; 6082

(4) Assigns a rating on each evaluation in accordance with 6083
division (B) of this section or section 3319.114 of the Revised 6084
Code, whichever is applicable; 6085

(5) Requires each teacher to be provided with a written 6086
report of the results of the teacher's evaluation; 6087

(6) Identifies measures of student academic growth for 6088
grade levels and subjects for which the value-added progress 6089

dimension prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or 6090
an alternative student academic progress measure if adopted 6091
under division (C) (1) (e) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the 6092
Revised Code does not apply; 6093

(7) Implements a classroom-level, value-added program 6094
developed by a nonprofit organization described in division (B) 6095
of section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or an alternative 6096
student academic progress measure if adopted under division (C) 6097
(1) (e) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code; 6098

(8) Provides for professional development to accelerate 6099
and continue teacher growth and provide support to poorly 6100
performing teachers; 6101

(9) Provides for the allocation of financial resources to 6102
support professional development. 6103

(B) For purposes of the framework developed under this 6104
section, the state board also shall do the following: 6105

(1) Develop specific standards and criteria that 6106
distinguish between the following levels of performance for 6107
teachers and principals for the purpose of assigning ratings on 6108
the evaluations conducted under sections 3311.80, 3311.84, 6109
3319.02, and 3319.111 of the Revised Code: 6110

(a) Accomplished; 6111

(b) Skilled; 6112

(c) Developing; 6113

(d) Ineffective. 6114

(2) For grade levels and subjects for which the 6115
assessments prescribed under sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of 6116

the Revised Code and the value-added progress dimension 6117
prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code, or 6118
alternative student academic progress measure, do not apply, 6119
develop a list of student assessments that measure mastery of 6120
the course content for the appropriate grade level, which may 6121
include nationally normed standardized assessments, industry 6122
certification examinations, or end-of-course examinations. 6123

(C) The state board shall consult with experts, teachers 6124
and principals employed in public schools, and representatives 6125
of stakeholder groups in developing the standards and criteria 6126
required by division (B)(1) of this section. 6127

(D) To assist school districts in developing evaluation 6128
policies under sections 3311.80, 3311.84, 3319.02, and 3319.111 6129
of the Revised Code, the department shall do both of the 6130
following: 6131

(1) Serve as a clearinghouse of promising evaluation 6132
procedures and evaluation models that districts may use; 6133

(2) Provide technical assistance to districts in creating 6134
evaluation policies. 6135

(E) Not later than June 30, 2013, the state board, in 6136
consultation with state agencies that employ teachers, shall 6137
develop a standards-based framework for the evaluation of 6138
teachers employed by those agencies. Each state agency that 6139
employs teachers shall adopt a standards-based teacher 6140
evaluation policy that conforms with the framework developed 6141
under this division. The policy shall become operative at the 6142
expiration of any collective bargaining agreement covering 6143
teachers employed by the agency that is in effect on September 6144
24, 2012, and shall be included in any renewal or extension of 6145

such an agreement. However, this division does not apply to any 6146
person who is employed as a substitute teacher or as an 6147
instructor of adult education. 6148

Sec. 3326.17. (A) The department of education shall issue 6149
an annual report card for each science, technology, engineering, 6150
and mathematics school that includes all information applicable 6151
to school buildings under section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. 6152

(B) For each student enrolled in a STEM school, the 6153
department shall combine data regarding the academic performance 6154
of that student with comparable data from the school district in 6155
which the student is entitled to attend school pursuant to 6156
section 3313.64 or 3313.65 of the Revised Code for the purpose 6157
of calculating the performance of the district as a whole on the 6158
report card issued for the district under section ~~3302.03~~ 6159
3302.032 of the Revised Code. 6160

(C) The department also shall compute a rating for each 6161
group of STEM schools that is under the direction of the same 6162
governing body, as authorized under section 3326.031 of the 6163
Revised Code, and issue a distinct report card for the group as 6164
a whole. 6165

(D) Each STEM school and its governing body shall comply 6166
with sections 3302.04 and 3302.041 of the Revised Code, except 6167
that any action required to be taken by a school district 6168
pursuant to those sections shall be taken by the school. 6169
However, the school shall not be required to take any action 6170
described in division (F) of section 3302.04 of the Revised 6171
Code. 6172

Sec. 3326.41. (A) For purposes of this section: 6173

(1) "Formula amount" has the same meaning as in section 6174

3317.02 of the Revised Code. 6175

(2) "Four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate" has the 6176
same meaning as in section 3302.01 of the Revised Code. 6177

(3) A science, technology, engineering, and mathematics 6178
school's "third-grade reading proficiency percentage" means the 6179
percentage of the school's students scoring at a proficient 6180
level of skill or higher on the third-grade English language 6181
arts assessment prescribed under division (A) (1) (a) of section 6182
3301.0710 of the Revised Code for the immediately preceding 6183
school year, as reported on the school's report card under 6184
section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised Code. 6185

(B) In addition to the payments made under section 3326.33 6186
of the Revised Code, the department of education shall annually 6187
pay to each science, technology, engineering, and mathematics 6188
school both of the following: 6189

(1) A graduation bonus calculated according to the 6190
following formula: 6191

The school's four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate on its 6192
most recent report card issued by the department under section 6193
3302.03 of the Revised Code X 0.075 X the formula amount X the 6194
number of the school's graduates reported to the department, in 6195
accordance with the guidelines adopted under section 3301.0714 6196
of the Revised Code, for the same school year for which the most 6197
recent report card was issued 6198

(2) A third-grade reading bonus calculated according to 6199
the following formula: 6200

The school's third-grade reading proficiency percentage X 0.075 6201
X the formula amount X the number of the school's students 6202
scoring at a proficient level or higher on the third-grade 6203

English language arts assessment prescribed under division (A) 6204
(1) (a) of section 3301.0710 of the Revised Code for the 6205
immediately preceding school year 6206

Sec. 3328.26. (A) The department of education shall issue 6207
an annual report card for each college-preparatory boarding 6208
school established under this chapter that includes all 6209
information applicable to school buildings under section 3302.03 6210
of the Revised Code. 6211

(B) For each student enrolled in the school, the 6212
department shall combine data regarding the academic performance 6213
of that student with comparable data from the school district in 6214
which the student is entitled to attend school for the purpose 6215
of calculating the performance of the district as a whole on the 6216
report card issued for the district under section ~~3302.03~~ 6217
3302.032 of the Revised Code. 6218

(C) Each college-preparatory boarding school and its 6219
operator shall comply with sections 3302.04 and 3302.041 of the 6220
Revised Code, except that any action required to be taken by a 6221
school district pursuant to those sections shall be taken by the 6222
school. 6223

Sec. 3333.041. (A) On or before the last day of December 6224
of each year, the chancellor of higher education shall submit to 6225
the governor and, in accordance with section 101.68 of the 6226
Revised Code, the general assembly a report or reports 6227
concerning all of the following: 6228

(1) The status of graduates of Ohio school districts at 6229
state institutions of higher education during the twelve-month 6230
period ending on the thirtieth day of September of the current 6231
calendar year. The report shall list, by school district, the 6232

number of graduates of each school district who attended a state 6233
institution of higher education and the percentage of each 6234
district's graduates enrolled in a state institution of higher 6235
education during the reporting period who were required during 6236
such period by the college or university, as a prerequisite to 6237
enrolling in those courses generally required for first-year 6238
students, to enroll in a remedial course in English, including 6239
composition or reading, mathematics, and any other area 6240
designated by the chancellor. The chancellor also shall make the 6241
information described in division (A)(1) of this section 6242
available to the board of education of each city, exempted 6243
village, and local school district. 6244

Each state institution of higher education shall, by the 6245
first day of November of each year, submit to the chancellor in 6246
the form specified by the chancellor the information the 6247
chancellor requires to compile the report. 6248

(2) The following information with respect to the Ohio 6249
tuition trust authority: 6250

(a) The name of each investment manager that is a minority 6251
business enterprise or a women's business enterprise with which 6252
the chancellor contracts; 6253

(b) The amount of assets managed by investment managers 6254
that are minority business enterprises or women's business 6255
enterprises, expressed as a percentage of assets managed by 6256
investment managers with which the chancellor has contracted; 6257

(c) Efforts by the chancellor to increase utilization of 6258
investment managers that are minority business enterprises or 6259
women's business enterprises. 6260

(3) The chancellor's strategy in assigning choose Ohio 6261

first scholarships, as established under section 3333.61 of the
Revised Code, among state universities and colleges and how the
actual awards fit that strategy.

(4) The academic and economic impact of the Ohio co-
op/internship program established under section 3333.72 of the
Revised Code. At a minimum, the report shall include the
following:

(a) Progress and performance metrics for each initiative
that received an award in the previous fiscal year;

(b) Economic indicators of the impact of each initiative,
and all initiatives as a whole, on the regional economies and
the statewide economy;

(c) The chancellor's strategy in allocating awards among
state institutions of higher education and how the actual awards
fit that strategy.

(B) On or before the fifteenth day of February of each
year, the ~~director-chancellor~~ shall submit to the governor and,
in accordance with section 101.68 of the Revised Code, the
general assembly a report concerning aggregate academic growth
data for students assigned to graduates of teacher preparation
programs approved under section 3333.048 of the Revised Code who
teach English language arts or mathematics in any of grades four
to eight in a public school in Ohio. For this purpose, the
~~director-chancellor~~ shall use the value-added progress dimension
prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or the
alternative student academic progress measure if adopted under
division (C) (1) (e) of section ~~3302.03~~ 3302.032 of the Revised
Code. The ~~director-chancellor~~ shall aggregate the data by
graduating class for each approved teacher preparation program,

except that if a particular class has ten or fewer graduates to 6291
which this division applies, the ~~director~~ chancellor shall 6292
report the data for a group of classes over a three-year period. 6293
In no case shall the report identify any individual graduate. 6294
The department of education shall share any data necessary for 6295
the report with the ~~director~~ chancellor. 6296

(C) As used in this section: 6297

(1) "Minority business enterprise" has the same meaning as 6298
in section 122.71 of the Revised Code. 6299

(2) "State institution of higher education" and "state 6300
university" have the same meanings as in section 3345.011 of the 6301
Revised Code. 6302

(3) "State university or college" has the same meaning as 6303
in section 3345.12 of the Revised Code. 6304

(4) "Women's business enterprise" means a business, or a 6305
partnership, corporation, limited liability company, or joint 6306
venture of any kind, that is owned and controlled by women who 6307
are United States citizens and residents of this state. 6308

Sec. 3333.048. (A) Not later than one year after October 6309
16, 2009, the chancellor of higher education and the 6310
superintendent of public instruction jointly shall do the 6311
following: 6312

(1) In accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code, 6313
establish metrics and educator preparation programs for the 6314
preparation of educators and other school personnel and the 6315
institutions of higher education that are engaged in their 6316
preparation. The metrics and educator preparation programs shall 6317
be aligned with the standards and qualifications for educator 6318
licenses adopted by the state board of education under section 6319

3319.22 of the Revised Code and the requirements of the Ohio 6320
teacher residency program established under section 3319.223 of 6321
the Revised Code. The metrics and educator preparation programs 6322
also shall ensure that educators and other school personnel are 6323
adequately prepared to use the value-added progress dimension 6324
prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or the 6325
alternative student academic progress measure if adopted under 6326
division (C) (1) (e) of section ~~3302.03~~3302.032 of the Revised 6327
Code. 6328

(2) Provide for the inspection of institutions of higher 6329
education desiring to prepare educators and other school 6330
personnel. 6331

(B) Not later than one year after October 16, 2009, the 6332
chancellor shall approve institutions of higher education 6333
engaged in the preparation of educators and other school 6334
personnel that maintain satisfactory training procedures and 6335
records of performance, as determined by the chancellor. 6336

(C) If the metrics established under division (A) (1) of 6337
this section require an institution of higher education that 6338
prepares teachers to satisfy the standards of an independent 6339
accreditation organization, the chancellor shall permit each 6340
institution to satisfy the standards of any applicable national 6341
educator preparation accrediting agency recognized by the United 6342
States department of education. 6343

(D) The metrics and educator preparation programs 6344
established under division (A) (1) of this section may require an 6345
institution of higher education, as a condition of approval by 6346
the chancellor, to make changes in the curricula of its 6347
preparation programs for educators and other school personnel. 6348

Notwithstanding division (E) of section 119.03 and 6349
division (A)(1) of section 119.04 of the Revised Code, any 6350
metrics, educator preparation programs, rules, and regulations, 6351
or any amendment or rescission of such metrics, educator 6352
preparation programs, rules, and regulations, adopted under this 6353
section that necessitate institutions offering preparation 6354
programs for educators and other school personnel approved by 6355
the chancellor to revise the curricula of those programs shall 6356
not be effective for at least one year after the first day of 6357
January next succeeding the publication of the said change. 6358

Each institution shall allocate money from its existing 6359
revenue sources to pay the cost of making the curricular 6360
changes. 6361

(E) The chancellor shall notify the state board of the 6362
metrics and educator preparation programs established under 6363
division (A)(1) of this section and the institutions of higher 6364
education approved under division (B) of this section. The state 6365
board shall publish the metrics, educator preparation programs, 6366
and approved institutions with the standards and qualifications 6367
for each type of educator license. 6368

(F) The graduates of educator preparation programs 6369
approved by the chancellor shall be licensed by the state board 6370
in accordance with the standards and qualifications adopted 6371
under section 3319.22 of the Revised Code. 6372

Sec. 3333.391. (A) As used in this section and in section 6373
3333.392 of the Revised Code: 6374

(1) "Academic year" shall be as defined by the chancellor 6375
of higher education. 6376

(2) "Hard-to-staff school" and "hard-to-staff subject" 6377

shall be as defined by the department of education. 6378

(3) "Parent" means the parent, guardian, or custodian of a 6379
qualified student. 6380

(4) "Qualified service" means teaching at a qualifying 6381
school. 6382

(5) "Qualifying school" means a hard-to-staff school 6383
district building or a school district building that has a 6384
persistently low performance rating, as determined jointly by 6385
the chancellor and superintendent of public instruction, under 6386
section ~~3302.03~~-3302.032 of the Revised Code at the time the 6387
recipient becomes employed by the district. 6388

(B) If the chancellor of higher education determines that 6389
sufficient funds are available from general revenue fund 6390
appropriations made to the department of higher education or to 6391
the chancellor, the chancellor and the superintendent of public 6392
instruction jointly may develop and agree on a plan for the Ohio 6393
teaching fellows program to promote and encourage high school 6394
seniors to enter and remain in the teaching profession. Upon 6395
agreement of such a plan, the chancellor shall establish and 6396
administer the program in conjunction with the superintendent 6397
and with the cooperation of teacher training institutions. Under 6398
the program, the chancellor annually shall provide scholarships 6399
to students who commit to teaching in a qualifying school for a 6400
minimum of four years upon graduation from a teacher training 6401
program at a state institution of higher education or an Ohio 6402
nonprofit institution of higher education that has a certificate 6403
of authorization under Chapter 1713. of the Revised Code. The 6404
scholarships shall be for up to four years at the undergraduate 6405
level at an amount determined by the chancellor based on state 6406
appropriations. 6407

(C) The chancellor shall adopt a competitive process for
awarding scholarships under the teaching fellows program, which
shall include minimum grade point average and scores on national
standardized tests for college admission. The process shall also
give additional consideration to all of the following:

(1) A person who has participated in the program described
in division (A) of section 3333.39 of the Revised Code;

(2) A person who plans to specialize in teaching students
with special needs;

(3) A person who plans to teach in the disciplines of
science, technology, engineering, or mathematics.

The chancellor shall require that all applicants to the
teaching fellows program shall file a statement of service
status in compliance with section 3345.32 of the Revised Code,
if applicable, and that all applicants have not been convicted
of, plead guilty to, or adjudicated a delinquent child for any
violation listed in section 3333.38 of the Revised Code.

(D) Teaching fellows shall complete the four-year teaching
commitment within not more than seven years after graduating
from the teacher training program. Failure to fulfill the
commitment shall convert the scholarship into a loan to be
repaid under section 3333.392 of the Revised Code.

(E) The chancellor shall adopt rules in accordance with
Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to administer this section and
section 3333.392 of the Revised Code.

Section 2. That existing sections 3301.0711, 3301.0714,
3301.0715, 3301.52, 3301.81, 3302.01, 3302.02, 3302.03,
3302.036, 3302.04, 3302.05, 3302.063, 3302.10, 3302.12, 3302.13,
3302.15, 3302.151, 3302.21, 3302.22, 3310.03, 3311.741, 3311.80,

3313.413, 3313.618, 3313.6113, 3313.903, 3314.012, 3314.015, 6437
3314.016, 3314.017, 3314.02, 3314.03, 3314.034, 3314.05, 6438
3314.085, 3314.35, 3317.0216, 3319.111, 3319.112, 3326.17, 6439
3326.41, 3328.26, 3333.041, 3333.048, and 3333.391 and sections 6440
3302.031, 3302.032, 3302.034, 3302.035, and 3314.37 of the 6441
Revised Code are hereby repealed. 6442

Section 3. The provisions of sections 3301.0711, 6443
3301.0714, 3301.0715, 3301.52, 3301.81, 3302.01, 3302.02, 6444
3302.03, 3302.031, 3303.032, 3302.034, 3302.035, 3302.036, 6445
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3313.413, 3313.618, 3313.6113, 3313.903, 3314.012, 3314.015, 6448
3314.016, 3314.017, 3314.02, 3314.03, 3314.034, 3314.05, 6449
3314.085, 3314.35, 3314.37, 3317.0216, 3319.111, 3319.112, 6450
3326.17, 3326.41, 3328.26, 3333.041, 3333.048, and 3333.391 as 6451
amended, renumbered, repealed, or enacted by this act shall 6452
first apply to the 2018-2019 school year. 6453

Section 4. Section 3302.036 of the Revised Code is 6454
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended 6455
by both Am. Sub. H.B. 64 and Am. Sub. H.B. 70 of the 131st 6456
General Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the principle 6457
stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that 6458
amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 6459
simultaneous operation, finds that the following sections, 6460
presented in this act as composites of the composite is the 6461
resulting version of the section in effect prior to the 6462
effective date of the section as presented in this act. 6463

From: Paretti, Dominic
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2018 5:01 PM
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Subject: Request for Co-Sponsorship – Paid Family and Medical Leave



MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members

FROM: Representative Janine Boyd and Representative Kristin Boggs

DATE: February 5, 2018

RE: Request for Co-Sponsorship ll Paid Family and Medical Leave

We will soon introduce legislation to create the Ohio Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program. Today we chose to send this co-sponsor request as this date marks the 25th anniversary of FMLA (Family Medical Leave Act). This legislation will provide 12 weeks of family and medical leave benefits, which will permit individuals to care for a family member, bond with a new child, or address their own serious health condition.

Out of 178 countries worldwide, the United States is one of three that does not provide paid leave to new mothers. So far five statesll California, New Jersey, New York, Hawaii and Rhode Island offer some sort of paid leave to men and women who provide care. The federal Family Medical Leave Act provides 12 weeks of leave for family and medical reasons. This time is unpaid and employers with fewer than 50 employees are exempt, which eliminates a large segment of workers. Ohio should lead on the issue of paid leave to grow our economy and allow working people to put family first.

The program will be under the purview of the Department of Job and Family Services. An individual would receive leave insurance benefits for: a health condition which makes him/her unable to perform their job duties; caring for a new child during after birth, adoption, or foster care placement; caring for a child, parent, or spouse who has a serious health

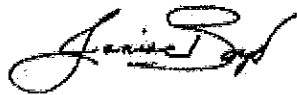
condition; or the individual is taking any other leave as authorized by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act. In order to be eligible for program benefits, an individual must file a claim with ODJFS; must have worked at least 680 hours during the base period; premiums have been withheld and remitted for at least one year; and the leave must be for the above-mentioned purposes.

Once established, program benefits will be paid by assessing premiums on employees. Employers will be required to deduct and withhold premiums from employees' wages. However, an employer may opt to pay the contributions on behalf of employees.

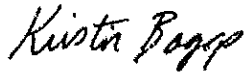
An employee who is covered by an employer policy or collective bargaining agreement that provides the employee with greater leave than that provided by the Family and Medical Leave Act may elect not to participate in the Program in accordance with rules adopted by the Director. An employee who elects to opt out of participating in the Program is not liable for any premium or contribution that would otherwise be due under the Program.

Working people in Ohio should not have to worry about losing their job or falling behind financially just to take care of a sick child or relative; address their own serious health condition; or care for and bond with their newborn child. Ohio cities like Dayton and Cincinnati are leading on leave. By allowing working people to put their family first, we can truly make Ohio a better place to live, work, and raise a family.

If you have any questions or would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Dominic Paretti, at 614-644-5079 or via email at Dominic.Paretti@OhioHouse.Gov and Serena Finlay, 614-466-1896 or via email at Serena.Finlay@OhioHouse.Gov. **The deadline to co-sponsor is Friday, March 9 at 4:00pm.**



Janine Boyd
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PRESS RELEASE

Advocates call for policies that support Ohio's workers

Contact: [Hannah Halbert](#)

Later this month, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear *Janus v. AFSCME*, which threatens the ability of unions to collect fair share fees. Ohio legislators also recently unveiled a slate of proposals designed to give more power to corporations at the expense of workers, including so-called "right to work= 2 legislation, which could greatly reduce the power of Ohio's unions. With working people facing threats at state and national levels, Policy Matters Ohio joined ProgressOhio to unveil a [new policy brief, "A way forward: 10 ways to support Ohio's working people."](#)

"So-called 'Right-to-Work' legislation and related judicial attacks like the pending Janus case don't address these real struggles of working people," Policy Matters Researcher Hannah Halbert said. "Unionized workers in Ohio make \$4 an hour more than their non-union counterparts, \$8,000 more a year for full-time work. Union workers are more likely to have pensions and paid sick days, and less likely to be treated unfairly at work or experience harassment or workplace injuries."

Cincinnati fire fighter and Ohio Association of Professional Fire Fighters Communications Director Doug Stern said so-called right-to-work laws not only chip away at the fabric of unions, but can make

communities less safe.

"Attacks like these on working people and unions are attacks on fire fighters, police officers and all first responders, he said. "Our fire fighters and police officers deserve the right to collectively bargain so that we can effectively advocate for the training and equipment that keep our communities safe."

For decades, state and federal policymakers have chipped away at worker protections. As a result, Ohio's job growth has been weak and the state's wealthiest 1 percent earned more than 19 times the average of the bottom 99 percent of earners combined.

"The decline of unions has significantly contributed to the decline of the middle class as wages have remained stagnant and workers are getting a smaller and smaller share of income," said Wright State University Economics Professor Rudy Fichtenbaum. "Attacks on unions are not about increasing job growth; they're about corporations and the political elite gaining power over workers."

Policy Matters calls for the policymakers to protect workers' right to organize, as well as strengthen the public sector, raise the minimum wage, restore the 40-hour work week, fix Ohio's broken unemployment compensation system and more.

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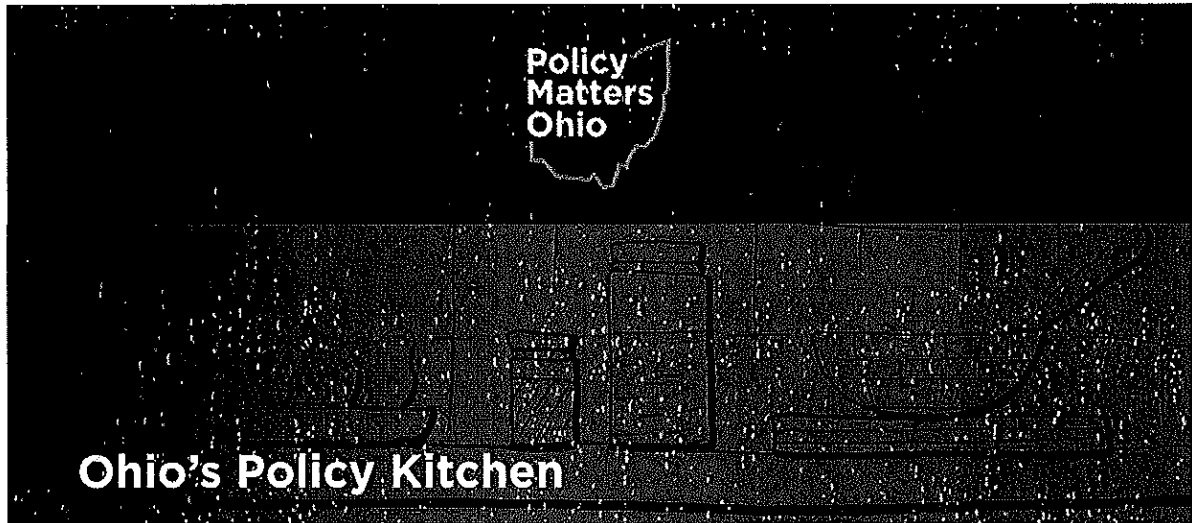
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10 ways to support Ohio's working people



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HOUSE E-CLIPS

2/14/2018



HOSPITAL PACT MIGHT SAVE TOLEDO ABORTION CLINIC

A hospital system has authorized a patient-transfer agreement to keep the last abortion clinic in Toledo operating.



PILLICH TO LEAVE RACE FOR GOVERNOR, BACK CORDRAY

Only one of the original Democrats running for governor will still be in the race after Wednesday.

OHIO WANTS TO REQUIRE THOSE ON MEDICAID TO GET A JOB

Thousands of Ohioans soon might need to find a job or lose their Medicaid health insurance.

KASICH CHOSEN TO ADDRESS GRADUATES OF KENNEDY SCHOOL IN MAY

Gov. Kasich will address the 2018 graduates of the Harvard Kennedy School in May, the dean of the school said Tuesday.

CHIEF JUSTICE ON ECOT CLAIM FOR STATE MONEY: 'HOW IS THAT NOT ABSURD?'

As ECOT attorney Marion Little finished his arguments for why, under the law, the online school should get full funding for students even if they only log in once a month and do no work, Chief Justice Maureen O'Connor interjected.

KASICH POSTPONES FOREIGN TRIP TO ATTEND OFFICERS' FUNERAL IN WESTERVILLE

Long-time Westerville resident Gov. John Kasich is postponing a foreign trade trip to attend the Friday funeral of two police officers slain in his hometown on Saturday.

A FIFTH OF OHIO HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS NEED HELP TO EARN A DIPLOMA THIS YEAR

Less than five months from graduation, one out of five Ohio high school seniors still wouldn't qualify for a diploma under more-stringent state standards — requirements that at least temporarily have been softened to avert just such a crisis.

NEW REPORT FROM PRO-LABOR GROUP PANS RIGHT-TO-WORK PROPOSALS

In the wake of proposed right-to-work amendments by Republican lawmakers, a newly released report is recommending politicians can support Ohio workers by backing off of regulating unions.

Dayton Daily News

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OHIO CONSIDERS RAISING CHILD MARRIAGE AGE AFTER DDN INVESTIGATION

An investigation by the Dayton Daily News into child marriage is prompting state lawmakers to introduce a bill that would bump up the legal marriage age to 18 for both males and females and allow 17-year-olds to marry with court approval.

VICIOUS DOGS: OHIO MOVES TO CHANGE LAWS ON DOG OWNERS

Four years after the gruesome attack that killed Dayton resident Klonda Richey, state lawmakers are taking a double barrel approach to finally putting more teeth in the state's vicious dog laws.

CINCINNATI DEMOCRAT CONNIE PILLICH EXPECTED TO LEAVE GOVERNOR'S

RACE

Former state representative Connie Pillich — the last woman leading a Democratic ticket for governor — is expected to drop out of the race and endorse former attorney general Rich Cordray on Wednesday, sources close to the campaign said.

THE PLAIN DEALER

OHIO'S CHARTER SCHOOL QUALITY CRACKDOWN CLAIMS A BIG-CITY VICTIM -

THE CINCINNATI SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ohio's push to improve charter school quality has booted a major city school district - the Cincinnati Public Schools - out of the charter school business.

CONNIE PILLICH EXPECTED TO DROP OUT OF THE GOVERNOR'S RACE

Connie Pillich, the lone remaining Democratic woman running for governor in what was supposed to be the "year of the woman," will drop out of the race Wednesday to endorse Richard Cordray, according to two Democratic sources.

ECOT FUNDING QUESTIONED BY OHIO SUPREME COURT JUSTICES: "HOW IS IT NOT ABSURD?"

Ohio Supreme Court justices were wary this morning of how the ECOT online charter school wants to be funded as the school and Ohio Department of Education pleaded their cases to the court.

**UNCONSCIONABLE FAILURE BY OHIO JUSTICES O'DONNELL, DeWINE TO
RECUSE IN ECOT CASE AFTER TAKING THOUSANDS IN CAMPAIGN DOLLARS:**

EDITORIAL

The seven-member Ohio Supreme Court is hearing arguments this morning in a case whose outcome may kill or revive the Electronic Classroom of Tomorrow, or ECOT, the online charter school that shut down last month.

THE ENQUIRER

**CONNIE PILLICH TO END GUBERNATORIAL BID; ENDORSE CORDRAY. WAS THE
LONE FEMALE DEMOCRAT IN THE RACE**

In the so-called "year of the woman," the sole female in the Democratic race for governor will bow out to endorse former Consumer Financial Protection Bureau director Richard Cordray.

DEMOCRAT KATHY WYENANDT FILES TO RUN IN OHIO 52ND DISTRICT

Democrat Kathy Wyenandt is challenging Republican George Lang for his Ohio House seat.

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ECOT ASKS HIGH COURT TO RESTORE ITS FUNDING

Clinging to hope of reopening its virtual doors, what was once Ohio's largest online school on Tuesday urged the Ohio Supreme Court to halt state efforts to claw back tens of millions in past aid.

PILLICH TO DROP OHIO GOVERNOR BID

Another Democratic candidate for governor will drop out of the race Wednesday and throw her support to Richard Cordray for the party's nomination.

From: Flasher, Kim
Sent: Friday, July 13, 2018 9:53 PM
To: Ingram, Catherine
CC: House_All
Subject: Re: Legislative Conferences and Travel

Representative Ingram,

Thank you for the question. This applies to all travel.

Have a good weekend,

Kim

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 13, 2018, at 4:31 PM, Ingram, Catherine <Catherine.Ingram@ohiohouse.gov> wrote:

Is this message in regard to only the annual meeting or does it also refer to any other event sponsored by said organizations?

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

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Subject: Legislative Conferences and Travel

Memo to: All House Members
From: Speaker Ryan Smith
Date: July 13, 2018
Re: Legislative Conferences Annual Meetings

As you may know, the Ohio General Assembly pays dues to several National Legislative Conferences such as NCSL, CSG, and ALEC. As these organizations begin holding their annual meetings, several of you may be interested in attending.

In the past, the House has allowed a limited number of Members to attend with a set expenditure reimbursement from the State permitted. This year, the House will approve any Member who would like to attend ONE national meeting and will cover the conference registration fees. The Member is liable for all remaining expenses. Such expenses may be covered through personal or campaign funds.

It is advised that you consult with your caucus Legal Counsel before utilizing campaign funds toward any travel.

If you would like to register for one of the annual meetings, please complete the attached "Request for Travel Form" and return it to Kim Flasher in the Administrative Office.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Kim. Thank you.